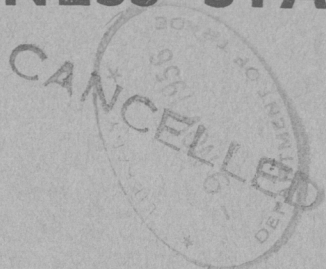


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|-------------|---|---------|---------|---|--|-----------|
| Period | Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) * | | | Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) * | New Houses and Flats : Private and Government | |
| | Males | Females | Persons | | Approved | Completed |
| | Number at end of period—thousands | | | £ thousand | Number of Dwelling Units | |
| Year : | | | | n.a. | n.a. | n.a. |
| 1938-39 | 529.9 | 168.0 | 697.9 | 9,018 | 35,029 | 19,841 |
| 1949-50 | 740.8 | 278.5 | 1,019.3 | 11,385 | 37,988 | 20,737 |
| 1950-51 | 758.2 | 291.0 | 1,049.2 | 14,364 | 24,419 | 24,576 |
| 1951-52 | 754.4 | 270.5 | 1,024.9 | 15,090 | 23,156 | 26,554 |
| 1952-53 | 734.3 | 266.2 | 1,000.5 | 16,043 | 30,655 | 27,524 |
| 1953-54 | 758.1 | 279.5 | 1,037.6 | 17,357 | 29,883 | 29,583 |
| 1954-55 | 779.2 | 292.5 | 1,071.7 | 18,955 | 25,527 | 27,145 |
| 1955-56 | 787.8 | 300.5 | 1,088.3 | | | |
| 1955: Apr. | 776.0 | 292.1 | 1,068.1 | 18,235 | 2,278 | 7,611 |
| May | 777.3 | 293.1 | 1,070.4 | | 2,634 | |
| June | 779.2 | 292.5 | 1,071.7 | | 3,211 | |
| July | 776.9 | 293.0 | 1,069.9 | 18,454 | 2,198 | 7,187 |
| Aug. | 780.1 | 294.5 | 1,074.6 | | 2,244 | |
| Sept. | 779.8 | 295.9 | 1,075.7 | | 2,524 | |
| Oct. | 779.4 | 297.7 | 1,077.1 | 19,683 | 2,303 | 6,688 |
| Nov. | 784.1 | 301.5 | 1,085.6 | | 2,292 | |
| Dec. | 786.1 | 303.4 | 1,089.5 | | 1,880 | |
| 1956: Jan. | 777.3 | 298.5 | 1,075.8 | 18,229 | 1,779 | 6,163 |
| Feb. | 786.7 | 300.9 | 1,087.6 | | 1,847 | |
| Mar. | 785.8 | 301.1 | 1,086.9 | | 2,006 | |
| Apr. | 787.8 | 300.4 | 1,088.2 | 19,453 | 1,794 | 7,107 |
| May | 788.6 | 300.7 | 1,089.3 | | 2,453 | |
| June | 787.8 | 300.5 | 1,088.3 | | 2,207 | |
| July | 786.1 | 299.5 | 1,085.6 | | 2,340 | |
| Aug. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | n.y.a. | | 2,236 | |

| Table No.:- | 31. | 37. | | 41. | | 43. |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Period | Wool Sold at Auction * | Oversea Trade (Merchandise only) | | Major Private Trading Banks | | Savings Bank Deposits |
| | | Imports | Exports | Deposits | Advances | |
| | £ thousand | £A million, f.o.b. | | At end of period—£ million | | |
| Year : | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 | 15,521 | 49.9 | 37.7 | 117.1 | 120.5 | 87.5 |
| 1949-50 | 107,714 | 214.0 | 216.6 | 394.0 | 166.2 | 258.9 |
| 1950-51 | 228,204 | 301.7 | 325.6 | 467.9 | 197.9 | 284.5 |
| 1951-52 | 105,261 | 426.8 | 193.9 | 413.6 | 276.0 | 304.5 |
| 1952-53 | 151,348 | 206.9 | 249.5 | 448.6 | 243.7 | 319.1 |
| 1953-54 | 144,795 | 277.9 | 249.3 | 483.1 | 281.6 | 339.8 |
| 1954-55 | 122,999 | 343.5 | 207.6 | 475.6 | 342.5 | 358.6 |
| 1955-56 | 115,699 | 334.2 | 217.2 | 450.8 | 329.7 | 386.7 |
| 1955: Apr. | 4,136 | 31.4 | 13.8 | 486.6 | 326.7 | 352.5 |
| May | 13,082 | 35.2 | 18.2 | 482.6 | 334.8 | 351.4 |
| June | 11,789 | 29.7 | 19.6 | 475.6 | 342.5 | 358.6 |
| July | 201 | 22.5 | 17.1 | 467.6 | 348.7 | 360.4 |
| Aug. | 3,317 | 29.3 | 13.2 | 462.4 | 342.7 | 358.9 |
| Sept. | 13,299 | 28.7 | 13.9 | 455.3 | 343.8 | 359.5 |
| Oct. | 12,132 | 29.4 | 17.6 | 460.4 | 348.3 | 362.2 |
| Nov. | 17,065 | 31.4 | 22.4 | 468.5 | 347.1 | 361.8 |
| Dec. | 7,113 | 24.3 | 21.6 | 475.4 | 341.3 | 364.1 |
| 1956: Jan. | 13,795 | 26.9 | 15.6 | 477.5 | 324.3 | 367.3 |
| Feb. | 5,492 | 24.8 | 6.4 | 473.4 | 316.6 | 371.2 |
| Mar. | 14,921 | 30.4 | 23.2 | 473.6 | 315.9 | 374.4 |
| Apr. | 8,401 | 29.6 | 24.4 | 472.2 | 322.7 | 375.7 |
| May | 11,254 | 31.1 | 26.6 | 460.3 | 328.4 | 376.7 |
| June | 8,709 | 25.8 | 15.2 | 450.8 | 329.7 | 386.7 |
| July | 265 | 25.6 | 13.0 | 445.8 | 333.9 | 390.3 |
| Aug. | 5,881 | 31.2 | 15.8 | 446.0 | 329.0 | 394.7 |

* See notes to relevant table.

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to detailed tables herein

| 14. | | 18. | 23. | 23. | 23. | Table No. |
|----------------------------|---|--|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| N.S.W. Government Railways | | New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered | Coal Production | Electricity Generated | Ingot Steel Production | Period |
| Passenger Journeys | Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried | | | | | |
| Millions | Thousand tons | Number | Thousand tons | Mill. kWh. | Thousand tons | |
| 186.7 | 14,679 | 28,335 | 9,987† | 1,948 | 1,168‡ | 1938-39: Year |
| 258.2 | 15,890 | 61,656 | 11,290 | 3,758 | 1,266 | 1949-50 |
| 268.6 | 17,131 | 76,172 | 12,683 | 4,241 | 1,405 | 1950-51 |
| 268.2 | 18,528 | 67,448 | 14,800 | 4,628 | 1,473 | 1951-52 |
| 271.7 | 17,877 | 50,057 | 14,289 | 4,868 | 1,846 | 1952-53 |
| 278.9 | 19,351 | 64,993 | 15,011 | 5,450 | 2,086 | 1953-54 |
| 281.4 | 18,667 | 81,118 | 14,660 | 5,951 | 2,162 | 1954-55 |
| 280.5 | 18,056 | 82,172 | 14,629p | 6,495 | 2,329 | 1955-56 |
| 23.4 | 1,412 | 6,825 | 1,126 | 479 | 154 | Apr.: 1955 |
| 25.1 | 1,602 | 8,210 | 1,319 | 542 | 186 | May |
| 23.6 | 1,597 | 7,475 | 1,309 | 555 | 175 | June |
| 23.0 | 1,626 | 7,601 | 1,366 | 582 | 192 | July |
| 24.3 | 1,728 | 7,970 | 1,454 | 569 | 194 | Aug. |
| 22.7 | 1,619 | 8,033 | 1,383 | 533 | 185 | Sept. |
| 24.6 | 1,521 | 7,335 | 1,291 | 531 | 190 | Oct. |
| 22.6 | 1,583 | 7,513 | 1,329 | 528 | 188 | Nov. |
| 22.3 | 1,542 | 7,035 | 1,077 | 505 | 189 | Dec. |
| 23. | 1,154 | 4,950 | 638 | 493 | 193 | Jan.: 1956 |
| 22.6 | 1,372 | 6,269 | 1,103 | 510 | 189 | Feb. |
| 23.2 | 1,407 | 7,207 | 1,102 | 542 | 198 | Mar. |
| 24.6 | 1,440 | 6,037 | 1,196 | 517 | 184 | Apr. |
| 23.4 | 1,566 | 6,531 | 1,369 | 591 | 214 | May |
| 23.4 | 1,498 | 5,691 | 1,322p | 594 | 213 | June |
| 22.7 | 1,618 | 6,327r | 1,447p | 634 | 226 | July |
| 21.1 | 1,701 | 6,408 | 1,453p | n.y.a. | 203 | Aug. |

| 42. | 46. | 47. | 52. | 54. | 55. | Table No. |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|----------------|
| Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.* | Sydney Stock Exchange Share Values | Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances | Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index * | Retail Prices : Total " C " Series Index (Sydney)* | Basic Wage, Sydney (State Awards) Adult Males * | Period |
| Weekly Average —£ million. | Index * | £ thousand | Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100 | Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000 | s. per week | |
| n.a. | 175.6 | 35,272 | 101 | 928 | 81s | 1938-39 : Year |
| 105 | 270.0 | 125,952 | 205 | 1504 | 135s | 1949-50 |
| 145 | 334.1 | 192,311 | 246 | 1729 | 173s | 1950-51 |
| 157 | 301.0 | 179,581 | 300 | 2140 | 216s | 1951-52 |
| 152 | 253.1 | 143,909 | 320 | 2327 | 238s | 1952-53 |
| 172 | 267.0 | 188,032 | 321 | 2384 | 243 | 1953-54 |
| 188 | 294.4 | 218,799 | 320 | 2398 | 243 | 1954-55 |
| 201 | 312.6 | 230,300 | 338p | 2493 | 255s | 1955-56 |
| 186 | 299.7 | 15,580 | 324 | 2423 | 243 | Apr.: 1955 |
| 203 | 304.6 | 18,957 | 326 | | 243 | May |
| 206 | 314.5 | 19,047 | 330 | | 243 | June |
| 202 | 325.6 | 21,974 | 334 | 2455 | 243 | July |
| 187 | 324.0 | 22,956 | 333 | | 243 | Aug. |
| 194 | 317.3 | 16,757 | 334 | | 243 | Sept. |
| 203 | 317.4 | 24,045 | 332 | 2471 | 243 | Oct. |
| 216 | 312.8 | 19,357 | 336 | | 253 | Nov. |
| 214 | 313.9 | 17,017 | 334 | | 253 | Dec. |
| 184 | 316.1 | 17,480 | 334p | 2490 | 253 | Jan.: 1956 |
| 187 | 314.2 | 19,160 | 329p | | 255 | Feb. |
| 200 | 307.9 | 19,000 | 340p | | 255 | Mar. |
| 201 | 305.7 | 16,762 | 344p | 2556 | 255 | Apr. |
| 218 | 301.1 | 18,352 | 350p | | 256 | May |
| 204 | 295.5 | 17,440 | 353p | | 256 | June |
| 215r | 294.4 | 20,256 | 358p | | 256 | July |
| 189 | 300.1 | 19,779 | 366p | | 263 | Aug. |

† Estimated.

‡ Year ended 31st May.

§ Operative from February.

7. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

| Month | Mining and Quarrying | Factories † | Building and Construction | Transport and Communication | Finance and Property | Wholesale Trade, etc. | Retail Trade | Professional and Personal Services ‡ | Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment* |
|------------|----------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Thousands | | | | | | | | | |
| MALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1939: July | 24.7 | 158.8 | 57.9 | 77.4 | ..... | 59.0 | 44.0 | 56.6 | 529.9 |
| 1946: June | 25.8 | 236.3 | 44.1 | 96.8 | 16.5 | 33.4 | 40.6 | 56.1 | 618.5 |
| 1952: June | 31.6 | 274.7 | 76.1 | 115.2 | 22.0 | 47.3 | 49.0 | 67.2 | 754.4 |
| 1953: June | 30.1 | 272.2 | 63.3 | 113.5 | 22.2 | 46.2 | 48.8 | 67.1 | 734.3 |
| 1954: June | 30.9 | 283.8 | 69.3 | 114.0 | 22.5 | 48.3 | 50.6 | 67.6 | 758.1 |
| 1955: Jan. | 29.8 | 289.0 | 68.8 | 115.8 | 22.8 | 50.5 | 51.0 | 68.7 | 767.8 |
| Feb. | 29.9 | 290.2 | 70.4 | 116.3 | 22.9 | 50.6 | 50.9 | 70.0 | 772.7 |
| Mar. | 30.1 | 290.8 | 70.9 | 117.3 | 22.9 | 50.8 | 51.2 | 70.3 | 775.9 |
| Apr. | 30.2 | 290.9 | 71.1 | 117.2 | 23.0 | 50.6 | 50.9 | 70.3 | 776.0 |
| May | 30.2 | 291.6 | 72.2 | 117.1 | 23.0 | 50.3 | 51.0 | 69.8 | 777.3 |
| June | 30.3 | 291.7 | 72.9 | 117.2 | 23.1 | 50.7 | 50.9 | 70.2 | 779.2 |
| July | 30.4 | 289.8 | 73.3 | 117.4 | 23.0 | 50.1 | 50.9 | 70.0 | 776.9 |
| 1956: Jan. | 29.5 | 294.5 | 72.9 | 110.1 | 23.4 | 51.8 | 51.3 | 71.4 | 777.3 |
| Feb. | 29.1 | 295.7 | 74.9 | 116.7 | 23.8 | 51.5 | 50.7 | 72.2 | 786.7 |
| Mar. | 28.9 | 294.9 | 74.2 | 116.6 | 23.9 | 51.5 | 51.1 | 72.5 | 785.8 |
| Apr. | 29.1 | 295.9 | 75.1 | 117.3 | 24.0 | 51.5 | 50.7 | 71.9 | 787.8 |
| May | 29.2 | 295.0 | 75.9 | 118.0 | 24.0 | 51.4 | 50.7 | 71.9 | 788.6 |
| June | 29.4 | 294.1 | 76.4 | 117.7 | 24.0 | 51.1 | 50.5 | 71.7 | 787.8 |
| July | 29.4 | 292.6 | 76.9 | 117.9 | 24.0 | 50.4 | 50.4 | 71.7 | 786.1 |
| FEMALES | | | | | | | | | |
| 1939: July | 0.1 | 59.3 | 0.5 | 4.2 | ..... | 8.5 | 36.0 | 49.1 | 168.0 |
| 1946: June | 0.2 | 82.3 | 0.9 | 13.0 | 10.1 | 10.9 | 39.1 | 73.3 | 242.3 |
| 1952: June | 0.4 | 84.2 | 1.7 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 15.7 | 42.8 | 83.6 | 270.5 |
| 1953: June | 0.3 | 86.0 | 1.8 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 15.1 | 41.0 | 82.2 | 266.2 |
| 1954: June | 0.3 | 92.9 | 2.0 | 14.3 | 15.1 | 16.2 | 43.1 | 84.1 | 279.5 |
| 1955: Jan. | 0.3 | 94.8 | 2.1 | 14.7 | 16.2 | 17.0 | 45.4 | 85.5 | 287.8 |
| Feb. | 0.4 | 96.6 | 2.0 | 14.9 | 16.4 | 17.2 | 45.0 | 87.0 | 291.5 |
| Mar. | 0.4 | 96.9 | 2.1 | 14.9 | 16.6 | 17.2 | 44.8 | 87.5 | 292.4 |
| Apr. | 0.3 | 96.1 | 2.1 | 14.9 | 16.7 | 17.4 | 45.0 | 87.6 | 292.1 |
| May | 0.4 | 96.4 | 2.1 | 15.0 | 16.7 | 17.5 | 45.4 | 87.5 | 293.1 |
| June | 0.3 | 96.5 | 2.1 | 15.1 | 16.8 | 17.4 | 44.8 | 87.3 | 292.5 |
| July | 0.3 | 96.5 | 2.1 | 15.2 | 16.9 | 17.3 | 45.2 | 87.3 | 293.0 |
| 1956: Jan. | 0.3 | 96.6 | 2.2 | 15.5 | 17.9 | 17.8 | 46.7 | 89.4 | 298.5 |
| Feb. | 0.3 | 98.5 | 2.2 | 15.7 | 18.3 | 17.8 | 45.9 | 90.0 | 300.9 |
| Mar. | 0.3 | 97.6 | 2.2 | 15.7 | 18.6 | 17.8 | 46.1 | 90.5 | 301.1 |
| Apr. | 0.3 | 97.2 | 2.2 | 15.7 | 18.6 | 18.1 | 45.6 | 90.6 | 300.4 |
| May | 0.4 | 97.4 | 2.2 | 15.7 | 18.6 | 18.0 | 45.8 | 90.3 | 300.7 |
| June | 0.4 | 97.5 | 2.3 | 15.7 | 18.5 | 17.7 | 45.5 | 90.3 | 300.2 |
| July | 0.4 | 96.9 | 2.3 | 15.7 | 18.4 | 17.8 | 45.4 | 90.1 | 299.5 |
| PERSONS | | | | | | | | | |
| 1939: July | 24.8 | 218.1 | 58.4 | 81.6 | ..... | 67.5 | 80.0 | 105.7 | 697.9 |
| 1946: June | 26.0 | 318.6 | 45.0 | 109.8 | 26.6 | 44.3 | 79.7 | 129.4 | 860.8 |
| 1952: June | 32.0 | 358.9 | 77.8 | 130.9 | 36.6 | 63.0 | 91.8 | 150.8 | 1,024.9 |
| 1953: June | 30.4 | 358.2 | 65.1 | 127.5 | 36.4 | 61.3 | 89.8 | 149.3 | 1,000.5 |
| 1954: June | 31.2 | 376.7 | 71.3 | 128.3 | 37.6 | 64.5 | 93.7 | 151.7 | 1,037.6 |
| 1955: Jan. | 30.1 | 383.8 | 70.9 | 130.5 | 39.0 | 67.5 | 96.4 | 154.2 | 1,055.6 |
| Feb. | 30.3 | 386.8 | 72.4 | 131.2 | 39.3 | 67.8 | 95.9 | 157.0 | 1,064.2 |
| Mar. | 30.5 | 387.7 | 73.0 | 132.2 | 39.5 | 68.0 | 96.0 | 157.8 | 1,068.3 |
| Apr. | 30.5 | 387.0 | 73.2 | 132.1 | 39.7 | 68.0 | 95.9 | 157.9 | 1,068.1 |
| May | 30.6 | 388.0 | 74.3 | 132.1 | 39.7 | 67.8 | 96.4 | 157.3 | 1,070.4 |
| June | 30.6 | 388.2 | 75.0 | 132.3 | 39.9 | 68.1 | 95.7 | 157.5 | 1,071.7 |
| July | 30.7 | 386.3 | 75.4 | 132.6 | 39.9 | 67.4 | 96.1 | 157.3 | 1,069.9 |
| 1956: Jan. | 29.8 | 391.1 | 75.1 | 125.6 | 41.3 | 69.6 | 98.0 | 160.8 | 1,075.8 |
| Feb. | 29.4 | 394.2 | 77.1 | 132.4 | 42.1 | 69.3 | 96.6 | 162.2 | 1,087.6 |
| Mar. | 29.2 | 392.5 | 76.4 | 132.3 | 42.5 | 69.3 | 97.2 | 163.0 | 1,086.9 |
| Apr. | 29.4 | 393.1 | 77.3 | 133.0 | 42.6 | 69.6 | 96.3 | 162.5 | 1,088.2 |
| May | 29.6 | 392.4 | 78.1 | 133.7 | 42.6 | 69.4 | 96.5 | 162.2 | 1,089.3 |
| June | 29.8 | 391.6 | 78.7 | 133.4 | 42.5 | 68.8 | 96.0 | 162.0 | 1,088.0 |
| July | 29.8 | 389.5 | 79.2 | 133.6 | 42.4 | 68.2 | 95.8 | 161.8 | 1,085.6 |

* Including miscellaneous groups (72,800 males, 12,500 females, 85,300 persons in July 1956) not shown in the table.
 † From July, 1949, subject to revision.
 ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

| Month | Government Authorities* | | | Private Employment | | | Total Employment | | |
|------------|-------------------------|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|------------------|---------|---------|
| | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| Thousands | | | | | | | | | |
| 1939: July | 136.5 | 19.4 | 155.9 | 393.4 | 148.6 | 542.0 | 529.9 | 168.0 | 697.9 |
| 1943: June | 157.1 | 45.1 | 202.2 | 368.0 | 209.3 | 577.3 | 525.1 | 254.4 | 779.5 |
| 1945: June | 156.0 | 43.6 | 199.6 | 380.0 | 204.3 | 584.3 | 536.0 | 247.9 | 783.9 |
| 1946: June | 169.0 | 33.4 | 202.4 | 449.5 | 208.9 | 658.4 | 618.5 | 242.3 | 860.8 |
| 1947: June | 178.2 | 32.3 | 210.5 | 493.6 | 219.8 | 713.4 | 671.8 | 252.1 | 923.9 |
| 1948: June | 186.1 | 33.6 | 219.7 | 516.2 | 228.3 | 744.5 | 702.3 | 261.9 | 964.2 |
| 1949: May† | 193.8 | 35.7 | 229.5 | 527.6 | 234.2 | 761.8 | 721.4 | 269.9 | 991.3 |
| 1950: June | 202.7 | 39.1 | 241.8 | 538.1 | 239.4 | 777.5 | 740.8 | 278.5 | 1,019.3 |
| 1951: June | 207.2 | 41.4 | 248.6 | 551.0 | 249.6 | 800.6 | 758.2 | 291.0 | 1,049.2 |
| 1952: June | 214.0 | 41.9 | 255.9 | 540.4 | 228.6 | 769.0 | 754.4 | 270.5 | 1,024.9 |
| 1953: June | 206.8 | 39.3 | 246.1 | 527.5 | 226.9 | 754.4 | 734.3 | 266.2 | 1,000.5 |
| 1954: June | 210.6 | 40.0 | 250.6 | 547.5 | 239.5 | 787.0 | 758.1 | 279.5 | 1,037.6 |
| 1955: Feb. | 212.6 | 41.9 | 254.5 | 560.1 | 249.6 | 809.7 | 772.7 | 291.5 | 1,064.2 |
| Mar. | 214.0 | 42.0 | 256.0 | 561.9 | 250.4 | 812.3 | 775.9 | 292.4 | 1,068.3 |
| Apr. | 214.4 | 42.0 | 256.4 | 561.6 | 250.1 | 811.7 | 776.0 | 292.1 | 1,068.1 |
| May | 214.5 | 42.2 | 256.7 | 562.8 | 250.9 | 813.7 | 777.3 | 293.1 | 1,070.4 |
| June | 215.2 | 42.3 | 257.5 | 564.0 | 250.2 | 814.2 | 779.2 | 292.5 | 1,071.7 |
| July | 213.3 | 42.4 | 255.7 | 563.6 | 250.6 | 814.2 | 776.9 | 293.0 | 1,069.9 |
| Aug. | 215.2 | 42.7 | 257.9 | 564.9 | 251.8 | 816.7 | 780.1 | 294.5 | 1,074.6 |
| Sept. | 214.5 | 42.7 | 257.2 | 565.3 | 253.2 | 818.5 | 779.8 | 295.9 | 1,075.7 |
| Oct. | 214.0 | 42.7 | 256.7 | 565.4 | 255.0 | 820.4 | 779.4 | 297.7 | 1,077.1 |
| Nov. | 214.0 | 43.2 | 257.2 | 570.1 | 258.3 | 828.4 | 784.1 | 301.5 | 1,085.6 |
| Dec. | 215.1 | 42.8 | 257.9 | 571.0 | 260.6 | 831.6 | 786.1 | 303.4 | 1,089.5 |
| 1956: Jan. | 214.2 | 43.1 | 257.3 | 563.1 | 255.4 | 818.5 | 777.3 | 298.5 | 1,075.8 |
| Feb. | 215.0 | 43.9 | 258.9 | 571.7 | 257.0 | 828.7 | 786.7 | 300.9 | 1,087.6 |
| Mar. | 214.9 | 44.0 | 258.9 | 570.9 | 257.1 | 828.0 | 785.8 | 301.1 | 1,086.9 |
| Apr. | 215.2 | 43.9 | 259.1 | 572.6 | 256.5 | 829.1 | 787.8 | 300.4 | 1,088.2 |
| May | 216.1 | 44.1 | 260.2 | 572.5 | 256.6 | 829.1 | 788.6 | 300.7 | 1,089.3 |
| June | 216.7 | 44.2 | 260.9 | 571.1 | 256.0 | 827.1 | 787.8 | 300.2 | 1,088.0 |
| July | 217.4 | 44.6 | 262.0 | 568.7 | 254.9 | 823.6 | 786.1 | 299.5 | 1,085.6 |

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

| Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Industrial Group | Males | | | Females | | | Persons | | |
| | 1956 | | | 1956 | | | 1956 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| | June | July | August | June | July | August | June | July | August |
| Building Materials ... | 13,382 | 13,447 | 13,324 | 1,462 | 1,456 | 1,452 | 14,844 | 14,903 | 14,776 |
| Basic Metals ... | 31,221 | 31,422 | 31,512 | 1,461 | 1,465 | 1,471 | 32,682 | 32,887 | 32,983 |
| Transportation Equipment ... | 18,754 | 18,497 | 18,682 | 1,979 | 1,960 | 1,938 | 20,733 | 20,457 | 20,620 |
| Other Metal Manufacture ... | 37,415 | 37,256 | 37,045 | 9,172 | 9,153 | 9,180 | 46,587 | 46,409 | 46,225 |
| Chemicals and Allied Products ... | 6,866 | 6,829 | 6,786 | 2,100 | 2,093 | 2,105 | 8,966 | 8,922 | 8,891 |
| Clothing and Textiles ... | 10,822 | 10,748 | 10,690 | 18,604 | 18,575 | 18,411 | 29,426 | 29,323 | 29,101 |
| Food ... | 13,606 | 13,487 | 13,413 | 5,485 | 5,471 | 5,454 | 19,091 | 18,958 | 18,867 |
| All Other ... | 17,292 | 17,374 | 17,438 | 5,123 | 5,113 | 5,150 | 22,415 | 22,487 | 22,588 |
| Total—All Groups ... | 149,358 | 149,060 | 148,890 | 45,386 | 45,286 | 45,161 | 194,744 | 194,346 | 194,051 |
| Excluding Food ... | 135,752 | 135,573 | 135,477 | 39,901 | 39,815 | 39,707 | 175,653 | 175,388 | 175,184 |

5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

| Year. | Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average † | Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡ | Quarter | Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average | | | | Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit | | | |
|---------|---|--|-----------|--|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | | | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56 |
| | £ thousand | £ | | £ thousand | | | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 1948-49 | 8,133 | 8.73 | Sept. Qr. | 14,934 | 15,654 | 16,765 | 18,454 | 15.23 | 16.01 | 16.60 | 17.79 |
| 1949-50 | 9,018 | 9.50 | Dec. Qr. | 15,729 | 16,753 | 17,918 | 19,683 | 16.24 | 16.87 | 17.53 | 18.83 |
| 1950-51 | 11,385 | 11.46 | Mar. Qr. | 14,241 | 15,303 | 16,511 | 18,229 | 14.70 | 15.33 | 16.07 | 17.46 |
| 1951-52 | 14,364 | 14.24 | June Qr. | 15,456 | 16,463 | 18,235 | 19,453 | 15.84 | 16.38 | 17.64 | 18.57 |
| 1952-53 | 15,090 | 15.50 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1953-54 | 16,043 | 16.15 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1954-55 | 17,357 | 16.96 | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955-56 | 18,955 | 18.16 | | | | | | | | | |

* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

| Period | Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period | | | Amount of Benefits Paid during Period | | | |
|----------------|---|---------|---------|---------------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Males | Females | Persons | Unemployment | Sickness | Special † | Total |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Year: 1949-50‡ | 103,599 | 23,901 | 127,500 | 1,064,698 | 307,315 | 176,698 | 1,548,711 |
| 1950-51 | 5,605 | 601 | 6,206 | 25,324 | 296,418 | 50,303 | 372,045 |
| 1951-52 | 7,680 | 3,258 | 10,938 | 55,135 | 262,244 | 33,502 | 350,881 |
| 1952-53 | 76,668 | 11,972 | 88,640 | 2,686,297 | 546,432 | 72,932 | 3,305,661 |
| 1953-54 | 18,854 | 4,599 | 23,453 | 1,247,215 | 697,949 | 132,797 | 2,077,961 |
| 1954-55 | 5,152 | 2,475 | 7,627 | 254,558 | 676,148 | 126,650 | 1,057,356 |
| 1955-56 | 8,126 | 2,591 | 10,717 | 232,550 | 628,314 | 125,394 | 986,258 |
| 1955: July | 360 | 267 | 627 | 15,704 | 71,891 | 15,276 | 102,871 |
| August | 192 | 148 | 340 | 11,127 | 52,500 | 9,233 | 72,860 |
| September | 168 | 108 | 276 | 12,009 | 65,454 | 14,512 | 91,975 |
| October | 237 | 132 | 369 | 8,493 | 47,587 | 9,598 | 65,678 |
| November | 202 | 133 | 335 | 7,583 | 46,800 | 10,808 | 65,191 |
| December | 537 | 165 | 702 | 8,607 | 52,942 | 9,765 | 71,314 |
| 1956: January | 756 | 125 | 881 | 14,214 | 53,023 | 13,169 | 80,406 |
| February | 1,620 | 244 | 1,864 | 16,970 | 45,540 | 9,999 | 72,509 |
| March | 1,072 | 323 | 1,395 | 27,237 | 48,968 | 7,778 | 83,983 |
| April | 907 | 242 | 1,149 | 34,030 | 48,719 | 7,409 | 90,158 |
| May | 781 | 293 | 1,074 | 29,774 | 58,015 | 9,089 | 96,878 |
| June | 1,294 | 411 | 1,705 | 46,802 | 36,875 | 8,758 | 92,435 |
| July | 1,316 | 427 | 1,743 | 30,261 | 49,831 | 8,437 | 88,529 |
| August | 1,633 | 427 | 2,060 | 52,052 | 67,999 | 11,037 | 131,088 |

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

| Last Saturday of Month | Unemployment | | | Sickness | Special † | All Benefits |
|------------------------|--------------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|--------------|
| | Males | Females | Persons | Persons | | |
| 1955: July | 563 | 507 | 1,070 | 3,404 | 744 | 5,218 |
| August | 495 | 406 | 901 | 3,363 | 746 | 5,010 |
| September | 376 | 331 | 707 | 3,298 | 732 | 4,737 |
| October | 360 | 300 | 660 | 3,129 | 736 | 4,525 |
| November | 347 | 298 | 645 | 3,225 | 731 | 4,601 |
| December | 649 | 317 | 966 | 2,864 | 683 | 4,513 |
| 1956: January | 1,028 | 294 | 1,322 | 2,997 | 690 | 5,009 |
| February | 1,586 | 351 | 1,937 | 3,076 | 662 | 5,675 |
| March | 1,782 | 463 | 2,245 | 2,979 | 649 | 5,873 |
| April | 1,294 | 495 | 1,789 | 3,031 | 622 | 5,442 |
| May | 1,275 | 573 | 1,848 | 3,066 | 694 | 5,608 |
| June | 1,592 | 733 | 2,325 | 3,114 | 683 | 6,122 |
| July | 2,166 | 907 | 3,073 | 3,199 | 716 | 6,988 |
| August | 2,261 | 858 | 3,119 | 3,245 | 724 | 7,088 |

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry

| Period | Disputes | Employees Involved | | | Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved | | |
|----------------|----------|--------------------|------------|-----------|---|------------|-------|
| | | Mining | Non-mining | Total | Mining | Non-mining | Total |
| | Number | | | Thousands | | | |
| Year : 1939 | 533 | 203 | 9 | 212 | 381 | 65 | 446 |
| 1948 | 1,506 | 229 | 48 | 277 | 497 | 278 | 775 |
| 1949 | 1,303 | 167 | 49 | 216 | 770 | 248 | 1,018 |
| 1950 | 1,694 | 221 | 138 | 359 | 294 | 325 | 619 |
| 1951 | 1,443 | 335 | 144 | 479 | 409 | 328 | 737 |
| 1952 | 1,297 | 194 | 181 | 375 | 274 | 485 | 759 |
| 1953 | 1,119 | 138 | 171 | 309 | 355 | 385 | 740 |
| 1954 | 1,132 | 166 | 88 | 254 | 256 | 278 | 534 |
| 1955 | 1,146 | 131 | 192 | 323 | 208 | 489 | 697 |
| 1955 : August | 98 | 17 | 25 | 42 | 26 | 102 | 128 |
| September | 96 | 15 | 19 | 34 | 28 | 27 | 55 |
| October | 94 | 13 | 17 | 30 | 26 | 33 | 59 |
| November | 76 | 18 | 24 | 42 | 27 | 23 | 50 |
| December | 17 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| 1956 : January | 38 | 3 | 17 | 20 | 6 | 101 | 107 |
| February | 74 | 15 | 13 | 28 | 24 | 115 | 139 |
| March | 96 | 35 | 14 | 49 | 41 | 50 | 91 |
| April | 41 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 6 | 34 | 40 |
| May | 61 | 10 | 14 | 24 | 15 | 31 | 46 |
| June | 52 | 5 | 12 | 17 | 5 | 28 | 33 |
| July | 61 | 5 | 15 | 20 | 9 | 23 | 32 |
| August | 91 | 9 | 15 | 24 | 21 | 46 | 67 |

Monthly particulars are approximate.

9. Population, Migration, Births, Deaths and Marriages, New South Wales

| Period | Estimated Population at end of Period* | | | Net Immigration | Live Births | Total Deaths | Deaths under 1 Year | Marriages |
|------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------|
| | Males | Females | Persons | | | | | |
| Year : 1948 | 1,523,810 | 1,524,496 | 3,048,306 | 16,235 | 67,234 | 30,403 | 2,037 | 30,164 |
| 1949 | 1,579,257 | 1,570,549 | 3,149,806 | 69,903 | 68,812 | 29,364 | 1,878 | 28,757 |
| 1950 | 1,627,618 | 1,613,439 | 3,241,057 | 58,399 | 71,592 | 30,965 | 1,936 | 30,036 |
| 1951 | 1,667,566 | 1,647,106 | 3,314,672 | 41,010 | 72,069 | 31,932 | 1,895 | 30,341 |
| 1952 | 1,695,899 | 1,672,087 | 3,367,986 | 18,043 | 74,196 | 32,038 | 1,818 | 29,351 |
| 1953 | 1,713,639 | 1,695,370 | 3,409,009 | 4,578 | 74,890 | 31,707 | 1,846 | 27,573 |
| 1954 | 1,738,385 | 1,723,928 | 3,462,313 | 15,977 | 73,125 | 32,444 | 1,850 | 27,503 |
| 1955 | 1,770,966 | 1,754,957 | 3,525,923 | 21,756 | 74,407 | 32,553 | 1,850 | 27,645 |
| 1953 : Sept. Qr. | 1,707,123 | 1,686,075 | 3,393,198 | 1,324 | 18,923 | 9,160 | 497 | 6,033 |
| Dec. Qr. | 1,713,639 | 1,695,370 | 3,409,009 | 6,950 | 18,510 | 7,922 | 485 | 7,524 |
| 1954 : Mar. Qr. | 1,717,596 | 1,699,113 | 3,416,709 | (-) 1,885 | 18,123 | 6,854 | 442 | 7,145 |
| June Qr. | 1,720,860 | 1,702,669 | 3,423,529 | (-) 1,949 | 18,607 | 8,168 | 488 | 6,926 |
| Sept. Qr. | 1,728,003 | 1,711,157 | 3,439,160 | 7,302 | 18,326 | 9,997 | 485 | 5,989 |
| Dec. Qr. | 1,738,385 | 1,723,928 | 3,462,313 | 12,509 | 18,069 | 7,425 | 435 | 7,443 |
| 1955 : Mar. Qr. | 1,747,737 | 1,732,093 | 3,479,830 | 5,772 | 18,639 | 6,894 | 447 | 6,900 |
| June Qr. | 1,753,041 | 1,737,290 | 3,490,331 | 464 | 18,511 | 8,474 | 470 | 7,293 |
| Sept. Qr. | 1,760,819 | 1,744,281 | 3,505,100 | 5,072 | 19,404 | 9,707 | 494 | 5,905 |
| Dec. Qr. | 1,770,966 | 1,754,957 | 3,525,923 | 10,448 | 17,853 | 7,478 | 439 | 7,547 |
| 1956 : Mar. Qr. | 1,780,808 | 1,763,327 | 3,544,135 | 6,791 | 18,526 | 7,105 | 392 | 7,082 |
| June Qr. | 1,785,243 | 1,768,189 | 3,553,432 | (-) 1,446 | 19,244 | 8,501 | 458 | 7,132 |

(-) Denotes net emigration.

* Adjusted in accordance with the final results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

The Estimated Population of Metropolitan (Sydney and Suburbs) at 30th June, 1955, was 1,897,710 persons.

10. Mean Population of N.S.W. : Financial and Calendar Years*

| Year | Year ended 30th June | | | Year ended 31st December | | |
|------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| 1948 | 1,500,934 | 1,500,728 | 3,001,662 | 1,510,297 | 1,509,761 | 3,020,058 |
| 1949 | 1,525,112 | 1,523,939 | 3,049,051 | 1,548,916 | 1,544,361 | 3,093,277 |
| 1950 | 1,577,252 | 1,568,447 | 3,145,699 | 1,602,498 | 1,590,710 | 3,193,208 |
| 1951 | 1,626,328 | 1,612,078 | 3,238,406 | 1,648,264 | 1,631,151 | 3,279,415 |
| 1952 | 1,665,975 | 1,645,865 | 3,311,840 | 1,682,305 | 1,659,171 | 3,341,476 |
| 1953 | 1,695,042 | 1,671,316 | 3,366,358 | 1,704,209 | 1,682,347 | 3,386,556 |
| 1954 | 1,712,508 | 1,692,906 | 3,405,414 | 1,723,012 | 1,705,476 | 3,428,488 |
| 1955 | 1,737,803 | 1,721,735 | 3,459,538 | 1,754,138 | 1,738,247 | 3,492,385 |
| 1956 | 1,770,560 | 1,753,819 | 3,524,379 | | | |

* Adjusted in accordance with the final results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

11. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Area of State

| Period | Private | Government | Private and Government | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------|---------|------------------|------------------|
| | Total, N.S.W. | Total, N.S.W. | Division of Cumberland | | | Rest of State | Total, N.S.W. |
| | | | Metropolis † | Balance† | Total | | |
| | | | | £ thousand | | | |
| Year : 1948 | 49,443 | 11,343 | 28,839 | 12,191 | 41,030 | 19,756 | 60,786 |
| 1949 | 58,923 | 14,244 | 34,419 | 13,847 | 48,266 | 24,901 | 73,167 |
| 1950 | 82,118 | 17,375 | 45,276 | 19,655 | 64,931 | 34,562 | 99,493 |
| 1951 | 97,712 | 22,386 | 52,249 | 23,626 | 75,875 | 44,223 | 120,098 |
| 1952 | 66,404 | 12,252 | 32,607 | 16,311 | 48,918 | 29,738 | 78,656 |
| 1953 | 90,224 | 21,361 | 49,526 | 22,499 | 72,025 | 39,560 | 111,585 |
| 1954 | 110,448 | 20,051 | 80,702 | 3,267 | 83,969 | 46,530 | 130,499 |
| 1955 | 118,520 | 38,721 | 99,989 | 9,782 | 109,771 | 47,470 | 157,241 |
| 1955 : Jan.—July | 68,013 | 17,541 | 54,997 | 2,318 | 57,315 | 28,239 | 85,554 |
| 1956 : Jan.—July | 70,705 | 20,263 | 58,384 | 8,391 | 66,775 | 24,193 | 90,968 |
| 1955 : May | 10,812 | 2,239 | 8,325 | 233 | 8,558 | 4,493 | 13,051 |
| June | 12,396 | 5,170 | 11,152 | 715 | 11,867 | 5,699 | 17,566 |
| July | 9,844 | 1,445 | 6,996 | 252 | 7,248 | 4,041 | 11,289 |
| 1956 : May | 12,207 | 8,527 | 10,074 | 6,212 | 16,286 | 4,448 | 20,734 |
| June | 9,762 | 3,863 | 9,764 | 496 | 10,260 | 3,365 | 13,625 |
| July | 9,776 | 1,819 | 8,012 | 351 | 8,363 | 3,232 | 11,595 |

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

12. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Class of Building

| Period | Houses | Flats and Conversions to Flats | Hotels, Guest Houses, etc. | Shops and Shops with Dwellings | Factories | Other Buildings | Total |
|------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|---------|
| £ thousand | | | | | | | |
| DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND | | | | | | | |
| Year : 1949 | 35,574 | 2,499 | 33 | 724 | 4,357 | 5,079 | 48,266 |
| 1950 | 46,009 | 3,596 | 129 | 1,271 | 6,901 | 7,025 | 64,931 |
| 1951 | 47,801 | 3,589 | 500 | 1,533 | 9,725 | 12,727 | 75,875 |
| 1952 | 31,112 | 1,124 | 503 | 1,147 | 6,585 | 8,447 | 48,918 |
| 1953 | 49,258 | 973 | 1,324 | 2,608 | 4,762 | 13,100 | 72,025 |
| 1954 | 51,887 | 796 | 1,638 | 5,574 | 10,492 | 13,582 | 83,969 |
| 1955 | 52,846 | 1,703 | 2,060 | 4,131 | 20,528 | 28,503 | 109,771 |
| 1955 : Jan.—July | 30,310 | 787 | 1,301 | 2,524 | 10,089 | 12,304 | 57,315 |
| 1956 : Jan.—July | 29,209 | 1,086 | 2,266 | 3,074 | 14,635 | 16,505 | 66,775 |
| 1955 : May | 4,939 | 150 | 280 | 482 | 1,288 | 1,419 | 8,558 |
| June | 5,983 | 71 | 269 | 364 | 1,696 | 3,484 | 11,867 |
| July | 4,071 | 158 | 78 | 309 | 1,522 | 1,110 | 7,248 |
| 1956 : May | 4,739 | 445 | 51 | 394 | 8,029 | 2,628 | 16,286 |
| June | 4,604 | 130 | 382 | 282 | 1,360 | 3,502 | 10,260 |
| July | 4,809 | 122 | 195 | 541 | 985 | 1,711 | 8,363 |
| NEW SOUTH WALES | | | | | | | |
| Year : 1949 | 54,630 | 2,991 | 111 | 1,178 | 5,187 | 9,070 | 73,167 |
| 1950 | 70,063 | 4,379 | 359 | 2,336 | 8,619 | 13,737 | 99,493 |
| 1951 | 77,067 | 4,195 | 1,090 | 2,906 | 14,460 | 20,380 | 120,098 |
| 1952 | 52,853 | 1,353 | 1,227 | 2,018 | 8,159 | 13,046 | 78,656 |
| 1953 | 78,294 | 1,632 | 2,184 | 4,155 | 5,475 | 19,845 | 111,585 |
| 1954 | 82,210 | 1,612 | 3,346 | 7,726 | 12,064 | 23,541 | 130,499 |
| 1955 | 81,651 | 2,309 | 3,945 | 6,235 | 23,223 | 39,878 | 157,241 |
| 1955 : Jan.—July | 47,841 | 1,186 | 2,430 | 3,817 | 11,884 | 18,396 | 85,554 |
| 1956 : Jan.—July | 44,293 | 1,379 | 3,380 | 4,165 | 15,622 | 22,129 | 90,968 |
| 1955 : May | 7,702 | 227 | 441 | 654 | 1,822 | 2,205 | 13,051 |
| June | 9,254 | 91 | 626 | 729 | 2,295 | 4,571 | 17,566 |
| July | 6,603 | 212 | 254 | 551 | 1,769 | 1,900 | 11,289 |
| 1956 : May | 7,352 | 475 | 270 | 584 | 8,266 | 3,787 | 20,734 |
| June | 6,725 | 184 | 611 | 400 | 1,466 | 4,239 | 13,625 |
| July | 7,218 | 179 | 284 | 683 | 1,028 | 2,203 | 11,595 |

* New buildings, alterations and additions combined.

13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

| Period | Houses | | | | Flats | | | | Houses and Flats | | | |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------------|
| | Approved † | Com- menced | Com- pleted | Un- com- pleted * | Approved † | Com- menced | Com- pleted | Un- com- pleted * | Approved † | Com- menced | Com- pleted | Un- com- pleted * |
| PRIVATE | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Year : 1950 † | 31,020 | 19,437 | 15,866 | 23,358 | 1,364 | 744 | 634 | 907 | 32,384 | 20,181 | 16,500 | 24,265 |
| 1951 | 28,206 | 21,336 | 16,252 | 28,442† | 1,091 | 732 | 790 | 849 | 29,297 | 22,068 | 17,042 | 29,291† |
| 1952 | 17,827 | 18,449 | 19,634 | 27,257† | 271 | 295 | 744 | 529 | 18,098 | 18,744 | 20,378 | 27,786† |
| 1953 | 23,103 | 20,324 | 21,051 | 26,530† | 393 | 306 | 555 | 271 | 23,496 | 20,630 | 21,606 | 26,801† |
| 1954 | 24,254 | 22,205 | 22,145 | 26,590† | 499 | 531 | 412 | 384 | 24,753 | 22,736 | 22,557 | 26,974† |
| 1955 | 23,173 | 21,606 | 23,455 | 24,741† | 651 | 499 | 406 | 451 | 23,824 | 22,105 | 23,861 | 25,192† |
| 1954 : June Qr. | 6,053 | 5,644 | 5,415 | 27,180† | 139 | 114 | 42 | 354 | 6,192 | 5,758 | 5,457 | 27,534† |
| Sept. Qr. | 6,868 | 5,567 | 5,681 | 27,066† | 111 | 161 | 66 | 449 | 6,979 | 5,728 | 5,747 | 27,515† |
| Dec. Qr. | 6,169 | 5,439 | 5,915 | 26,590† | 148 | 125 | 188 | 384 | 6,317 | 5,564 | 6,103 | 26,974† |
| 1955 : Mar. Qr. | 5,514 | 5,217 | 5,350 | 26,457† | 111 | 60 | 93 | 337 | 5,625 | 5,277 | 5,443 | 26,794† |
| June Qr. | 6,144 | 5,398 | 6,285 | 25,570† | 159 | 105 | 87 | 351 | 6,303 | 5,503 | 6,372 | 25,921† |
| Sept. Qr. | 5,984 | 5,592 | 6,139 | 25,023† | 210 | 146 | 111 | 384 | 6,194 | 5,738 | 6,250 | 25,407† |
| Dec. Qr. | 5,531 | 5,399 | 5,681 | 24,741† | 171 | 188 | 115 | 451 | 5,702 | 5,587 | 5,796 | 25,192† |
| 1956 : Mar. Qr. | 5,167 | 5,148 | 5,333 | 24,556† | 139 | 176 | 113 | 510 | 5,306 | 5,324 | 5,446 | 25,066† |
| June Qr. | 5,241 | 4,923 | 5,454 | 24,025† | 222 | 172 | 98 | 584 | 5,463 | 5,095 | 5,552 | 24,609† |

GOVERNMENT

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Year : 1950 | 3,909 | 3,739 | 3,453 | 4,775 | 505 | 815 | 335 | 1,269 | 4,414 | 4,554 | 3,788 | 6,044 |
| 1951 | 5,247 | 4,322 | 4,127 | 4,970 | 507 | 523 | 330 | 1,462 | 5,754 | 4,845 | 4,457 | 6,432 |
| 1952 | 843 | 2,931 | 5,250 | 2,651 | (-) 25 | 236 | 635 | 1,063 | 818 | 3,167 | 5,885 | 3,714 |
| 1953 | 6,232 | 5,071 | 4,547 | 3,175 | 348 | 148 | 1,000 | 211 | 6,580 | 5,219 | 5,547 | 3,386 |
| 1954 | 4,511 | 5,448 | 6,031 | 2,592 | 265 | 422 | 273 | 360 | 4,776 | 5,870 | 6,304 | 2,952 |
| 1955 | 3,398 | 3,697 | 3,958 | 2,331 | 283 | 261 | 276 | 345 | 3,681 | 3,958 | 4,234 | 2,676 |
| 1954 : June Qr. | 1,292 | 1,483 | 1,738 | 3,648 | 33 | 46 | 94 | 324 | 1,325 | 1,529 | 1,832 | 3,972 |
| Sept. Qr. | 1,238 | 1,322 | 1,614 | 3,356 | 63 | 24 | 36 | 312 | 1,301 | 1,346 | 1,650 | 3,668 |
| Dec. Qr. | 1,129 | 1,001 | 1,765 | 2,592 | 93 | 146 | 98 | 360 | 1,222 | 1,147 | 1,863 | 2,952 |
| 1955 : Mar. Qr. | 307 | 701 | 1,068 | 2,225 | 9 | 24 | 98 | 286 | 316 | 725 | 1,166 | 2,511 |
| June Qr. | 1,679 | 857 | 1,204 | 1,878 | 141 | 137 | 35 | 388 | 1,820 | 994 | 1,239 | 2,266 |
| Sept. Qr. | 700 | 1,257 | 861 | 2,274 | 72 | 48 | 76 | 360 | 772 | 1,305 | 937 | 2,634 |
| Dec. Qr. | 712 | 882 | 825 | 2,331 | 61 | 52 | 67 | 345 | 773 | 934 | 892 | 2,676 |
| 1956 : Mar. Qr. | 296 | 523 | 658 | 2,196 | 30 | 58 | 59 | 344 | 326 | 581 | 717 | 2,540 |
| June Qr. | 979 | 713 | 1,418 | 1,491 | 12 | 39 | 137 | 246 | 991 | 752 | 1,555 | 1,737 |

PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Year : 1950† | 34,929 | 23,176 | 19,319 | 28,133 | 1,869 | 1,559 | 969 | 2,176 | 36,798 | 24,735 | 20,288 | 30,309 |
| 1951 | 33,453 | 25,658 | 20,379 | 33,412† | 1,598 | 1,255 | 1,120 | 2,311 | 35,051 | 26,913 | 21,499 | 35,723† |
| 1952 | 18,670 | 21,380 | 24,884 | 29,908† | 246 | 531 | 1,379 | 1,592 | 18,916 | 21,911 | 26,263 | 31,500† |
| 1953 | 29,335 | 25,395 | 25,598 | 29,705† | 741 | 454 | 1,555 | 482 | 30,076 | 25,849 | 27,153 | 30,187† |
| 1954 | 28,765 | 27,653 | 28,176 | 29,182† | 764 | 953 | 685 | 744 | 29,529 | 28,606 | 28,861 | 29,926† |
| 1955 | 26,571 | 25,303 | 27,413 | 27,072† | 934 | 760 | 682 | 796 | 27,505 | 26,063 | 28,095 | 27,868† |
| 1954 : June Qr. | 7,345 | 7,127 | 7,153 | 30,828† | 172 | 160 | 136 | 678 | 7,517 | 7,287 | 7,289 | 31,506† |
| Sept. Qr. | 8,106 | 6,889 | 7,295 | 30,422† | 174 | 185 | 102 | 761 | 8,280 | 7,074 | 7,397 | 31,183† |
| Dec. Qr. | 7,298 | 6,440 | 7,680 | 29,182† | 241 | 271 | 286 | 744 | 7,539 | 6,711 | 7,966 | 29,926† |
| 1955 : Mar. Qr. | 5,821 | 5,918 | 6,418 | 28,682† | 120 | 84 | 191 | 623 | 5,941 | 6,002 | 6,609 | 29,305† |
| June Qr. | 7,823 | 6,255 | 7,489 | 27,448† | 300 | 242 | 122 | 739 | 8,123 | 6,497 | 7,611 | 28,187† |
| Sept. Qr. | 6,684 | 6,849 | 7,000 | 27,297† | 282 | 194 | 187 | 744 | 6,966 | 7,043 | 7,187 | 28,041† |
| Dec. Qr. | 6,243 | 6,281 | 6,506 | 27,072† | 232 | 240 | 182 | 796 | 6,475 | 6,521 | 6,688 | 27,868† |
| 1956 : Mar. Qr. | 5,463 | 5,671 | 5,991 | 26,752† | 169 | 234 | 172 | 854 | 5,632 | 5,905 | 6,163 | 27,606† |
| June Qr. | 6,220 | 5,636 | 6,872 | 25,516† | 234 | 211 | 235 | 830 | 6,454 | 5,847 | 7,107 | 26,346† |

* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

| Ownership | Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
|---|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private | 1955 | 1,584 | 1,954 | 2,087 | 1,849 | 2,196 | 2,258 | 1,969 | 2,054 | 2,171 | 2,029 | 2,019 | 1,654 |
| | 1956 | 1,609 | 1,823 | 1,874 | 1,539 | 2,117 | 1,807 | 2,050 | 1,998 | | | | |
| Gov'tment | 1955 | 112 | 66 | 138 | 429 | 438 | 953 | 229 | 190 | 353 | 274 | 273 | 226 |
| | 1956 | 170 | 24 | 132 | 255 | 336 | 400 | 290 | 238 | | | | |
| Total | 1955 | 1,696 | 2,020 | 2,225 | 2,278 | 2,634 | 3,211 | 2,198 | 2,244 | 2,524 | 2,303 | 2,292 | 1,880 |
| | 1956 | 1,779 | 1,847 | 2,006 | 1,794 | 2,453 | 2,207 | 2,340 | 2,236 | | | | |

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

14. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances

| Period | Passenger Journeys | Goods Carried (excluding livestock) | Earnings* | Working Expenses† | Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|--|
| | Thousands | Thous. tons | | £ thousand | |
| Year: 1938-39 | 186,720 | 14,679 | 19,146 | 14,543 | 4,603 |
| 1949-50 | 258,183 | 15,890 | 40,122‡ | 39,281 | 841 |
| 1950-51 | 268,567 | 17,131 | 49,448 | 49,168 | 280 |
| 1951-52 | 268,168 | 18,528 | 68,910 | 64,020 | 4,890 |
| 1952-53 | 271,698 | 17,877 | 72,676 | 66,452 | 6,224 |
| 1953-54 | 278,904 | 19,351 | 74,569 | 67,397 | 7,172 |
| 1954-55 | 281,417 | 18,667 | 73,361 | 68,397 | 4,964 |
| 1955-56 | 280,470 | 18,056 | 75,386 | 74,904 | 482 |
| 1955: March | 23,133 | 1,518 | 5,442 | 5,484 | (—) 42 |
| April | 23,398 | 1,412 | 5,768 | 5,874 | (—) 106 |
| May | 25,055 | 1,602 | 6,112 | 6,149 | (—) 37 |
| June | 23,570 | 1,597 | 6,012 | 6,222 | (—) 210 |
| July | 22,991 | 1,626 | 5,868 | 5,686 | (—) 182 |
| 1956: March | 23,172 | 1,407 | 6,264 | 6,368 | (—) 104 |
| April | 24,635 | 1,440 | 5,921 | 6,234 | (—) 313 |
| May | 23,411 | 1,566 | 6,360 | 6,858 | (—) 498 |
| June | 23,392 | 1,498 | 6,964 | 7,533 | (—) 569 |
| July | 22,728 | 1,618 | 6,334 | 6,415 | (—) 81 |

* Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue (£1,800,000 in 1955-56). † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included. ‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

| Period | Gross Revenue | | | Working Expenses* | Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses |
|---------------|---------------|-------|------------|-------------------|---|
| | Trams | Buses | Total | | |
| | | | £ thousand | | |
| Year: 1938-39 | 3,449 | 925 | 4,374 | 3,707 | 667 |
| 1949-50 | 4,792 | 4,307 | 9,099† | 9,538 | (—) 439 |
| 1950-51 | 5,162 | 5,110 | 10,272 | 11,201 | (—) 929 |
| 1951-52 | 5,510 | 5,680 | 11,190 | 13,807 | (—) 2,617 |
| 1952-53 | 5,690 | 5,836 | 11,526 | 14,240 | (—) 2,714 |
| 1953-54 | 5,542 | 6,033 | 11,575 | 13,631 | (—) 2,056 |
| 1954-55 | 5,227 | 6,248 | 11,475 | 13,657 | (—) 2,182 |
| 1955-56 | 4,704 | 6,363 | 11,067 | 14,017 | (—) 2,950 |
| 1955: March | 453 | 553 | 1,006 | 1,210 | (—) 204 |
| April | 438 | 534 | 972 | 1,158 | (—) 186 |
| May | 429 | 548 | 977 | 1,152 | (—) 175 |
| June | 422 | 506 | 928 | 1,270 | (—) 342 |
| 1956: March | 412 | 555 | 967 | 1,216 | (—) 249 |
| April | 398 | 534 | 932 | 1,232 | (—) 300 |
| May | 389 | 528 | 917 | 1,203 | (—) 286 |
| June | 342 | 525 | 867 | 1,050 | (—) 183 |

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£1,106,005 in year 1954-55). † Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

16. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

| Period | Oversea | | Interstate | | Intra-state | | Total | |
|----------------|---|---------|------------|---------|-------------|---------|--------|---------|
| | Inward | Outward | Inward | Outward | Inward | Outward | Inward | Outward |
| | Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined) | | | | | | | |
| Year: 1938-39 | 2,045 | 1,429 | 1,187 | 798 | 1,896 | 340 | 5,128 | 2,567 |
| 1951-52 | 4,236 | 1,155 | 903 | 533 | 1,837 | 116 | 6,976 | 1,804 |
| 1952-53 | 2,452 | 1,255 | 871 | 675 | 1,881 | 92 | 5,204 | 2,022 |
| 1953-54 | 3,166 | 1,433 | 948 | 798 | 2,028 | 62 | 6,142 | 2,293 |
| 1954-55 | 3,687 | 1,331 | 987 | 700 | 2,000 | 46 | 6,674 | 2,077 |
| 1955-56 | 3,109 | 1,529 | 1,073 | 573 | 2,282 | 26 | 6,464 | 2,128 |
| 1955: June Qr. | 1,095 | 348 | 247 | 170 | 513 | 6 | 1,855 | 524 |
| Sept. Qr. | 800 | 350 | 306 | 188 | 591 | ... | 1,697 | 538 |
| Dec. Qr. | 853 | 365 | 276 | 149 | 650 | 2 | 1,779 | 516 |
| 1956: Mar. Qr. | 697 | 302 | 218 | 104 | 464 | 17 | 1,379 | 423 |
| June Qr. | 759 | 513 | 273 | 132 | 576 | 6 | 1,608 | 651 |

17. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

| End of Month | Cars | Omni-buses | Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars | Lorries, Utilities, and Vans | Total of foregoing | Motor Cycles | Trailers | All Other Vehicles† | Total on Register |
|--------------|---------|------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1939 : June | 213,331 | 1,430 | 3,278 | 76,726 | 294,765 | 24,151 | 6,414 | 2,298 | 327,628 |
| 1945 : June | 182,972 | 1,891 | 2,962 | 82,957 | 270,782 | 16,068 | 9,065 | 2,397 | 298,312 |
| 1947 : June | 195,857 | 2,200 | 3,330 | 113,544 | 314,931 | 25,172 | 14,712 | 3,635 | 358,450 |
| 1949 : June | 232,837 | 2,947 | 3,562 | 140,338 | 379,684 | 36,379 | 21,525 | 6,362 | 443,950 |
| 1951 : June | 308,294 | 3,363 | 4,159 | 181,529 | 497,345 | 46,851 | 28,131 | 9,328 | 581,655 |
| 1952 : June | 338,640 | 3,429 | 4,474 | 196,295 | 542,838 | 47,552 | 31,429 | 10,482 | 632,301 |
| 1953 : June | 360,573 | 3,417 | 4,471 | 199,870 | 568,331 | 45,100 | 34,173 | 11,413 | 659,017 |
| 1954 : June | 393,951 | 3,457 | 4,446 | 210,142 | 611,996 | 42,451 | 37,853 | 13,136 | 705,436 |
| 1955 : April | 429,834 | 3,582 | 4,652 | 221,555 | 659,623 | 40,494 | 41,854 | 14,958 | 756,929 |
| May | 433,620 | 3,578 | 4,681 | 222,559 | 664,438 | 40,217 | 42,123 | 15,136 | 761,914 |
| June | 437,372 | 3,566 | 4,524 | 223,676 | 669,138 | 39,787 | 42,356 | 15,304 | 766,585 |
| July | 441,182 | 3,573 | 4,534 | 225,137 | 674,426 | 39,443 | 42,615 | 15,510 | 771,994 |
| 1956 : April | 474,323 | 3,584 | 4,596 | 236,815 | 719,318 | 37,728 | 47,463 | 17,385 | 821,894 |
| May | 476,716 | 3,574 | 4,599 | 237,950 | 722,839 | 37,336 | 47,819 | 17,588 | 825,582 |
| June | 478,833 | 3,586 | 4,564 | 238,823 | 725,806 | 37,039 | 48,117 | 17,819 | 828,781 |
| July | 481,158 | 3,576 | 4,566 | 239,801 | 729,101 | 36,794 | 48,256 | 17,905 | 832,056 |

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

| Period | Cars† | Taxi-cabs‡ | Omni-buses‡ | Lorries, Utilities, and Vans | Total of foregoing | Motor Cycles | Tractors§ and Trailers | Total |
|----------------|--------|------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------|
| Year : 1938-39 | 19,924 | 569 | 130 | 7,712 | 28,335 | 2,196 | 1,714 | 32,245 |
| 1948-49 | 25,466 | 186 | 339 | 11,674 | 37,665 | 7,442 | 4,177 | 49,284 |
| 1949-50 | 41,163 | 133 | 212 | 20,158 | 61,666 | 8,659 | 5,004 | 75,329 |
| 1950-51 | 46,689 | 323 | 84 | 29,076 | 76,172 | 8,855 | 5,578 | 90,605 |
| 1951-52 | 41,426 | 267 | 127 | 25,628 | 67,448 | 6,018 | 5,779 | 79,245 |
| 1952-53 | 30,989 | 505 | 123 | 18,436 | 50,057 | 3,042 | 5,653 | 58,752 |
| 1953-54 | 43,174 | 445 | 117 | 21,257 | 64,993 | 2,964 | 6,216 | 74,173 |
| 1954-55 | 55,944 | 339 | 59 | 24,776 | 81,118 | 3,437 | 7,544 | 92,099 |
| 1955-56 | 55,773 | 468 | 18 | 25,913 | 82,172 | 2,971 | 8,237 | 93,380 |
| 1955 : Mar. | 5,574 | 42 | 2 | 2,152 | 7,770 | 336 | 516 | 8,622 |
| April | 4,905 | 27 | 1 | 1,892 | 6,825 | 261 | 533 | 7,619 |
| May | 5,750 | 37 | 3 | 2,420 | 8,210 | 385 | 478 | 9,073 |
| June | 5,229 | 19 | 4 | 2,223 | 7,475 | 282 | 522 | 8,259 |
| July | 5,275 | 31 | 3 | 2,292 | 7,601 | 255 | 517 | 8,373 |
| 1956 : Mar. | 4,917 | 48 | 2 | 2,240 | 7,207 | 268 | 524 | 7,999 |
| April | 3,953 | 37 | 1 | 2,046 | 6,037 | 220 | 553 | 6,810 |
| May | 4,190 | 38 | 1 | 2,302 | 6,531 | 212 | 630 | 7,373 |
| June | 3,716 | 62 | 1 | 1,912 | 5,691 | 166 | 507 | 6,364 |
| July | 4,103 | 46 | 6 | 2,172 | 6,327 | 209 | 549 | 7,085 |

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

| Period | Cars | | | | | Lorries, Utilities, and Vans | | | | |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|-------|--------|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------|--------|
| | Aus-tralia | United Kingdom | U.S.A., Canada | Other | Total | Aus-tralia | United Kingdom | U.S.A., Canada | Other | Total |
| | Proportion per cent. | | | | Number | Proportion per cent. | | | | Number |
| Year: 1938-39 | ... | 38.8 | 60.6 | 0.6 | 19,924 | ... | 25.0 | 74.6 | 0.4 | 7,712 |
| 1948-49 | 3.1 | 76.5 | 18.7 | 1.7 | 25,466 | ... | 50.1 | 49.8 | 0.1 | 11,674 |
| 1949-50 | 11.7 | 77.2 | 7.9 | 3.2 | 41,163 | ... | 72.0 | 27.4 | 0.6 | 20,158 |
| 1950-51 | 16.5 | 67.5 | 10.1 | 5.9 | 46,689 | 1.9 | 75.8 | 21.7 | 0.6 | 29,076 |
| 1951-52 | 19.3 | 62.2 | 11.8 | 6.7 | 41,426 | 7.9 | 63.7 | 26.8 | 1.6 | 25,628 |
| 1952-53 | 32.3 | 50.1 | 14.5 | 3.1 | 30,989 | 18.8 | 49.8 | 29.4 | 2.0 | 18,436 |
| 1953-54 | 29.3 | 53.1 | 14.2 | 3.4 | 43,174 | 19.8 | 49.0 | 29.2 | 2.0 | 21,257 |
| 1954-55 | 25.8 | 57.4 | 10.8 | 6.0 | 55,944 | 24.1 | 47.3 | 25.6 | 3.0 | 24,776 |
| 1955-56 | 28.5 | 49.9 | 12.3 | 9.3 | 55,773 | 23.8 | 45.5 | 26.2 | 4.5 | 25,913 |
| 1955 : Mar. | 24.2 | 59.7 | 9.0 | 7.1 | 5,574 | 24.0 | 48.4 | 25.2 | 2.4 | 2,152 |
| April | 25.2 | 58.6 | 10.3 | 5.9 | 4,905 | 25.0 | 48.1 | 23.9 | 3.0 | 1,892 |
| May | 24.5 | 61.0 | 8.4 | 6.1 | 5,750 | 23.6 | 52.6 | 21.3 | 2.5 | 2,420 |
| June | 23.6 | 63.2 | 7.5 | 5.7 | 5,229 | 21.8 | 49.1 | 23.6 | 5.5 | 2,223 |
| July | 26.4 | 59.2 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 5,275 | 24.6 | 51.0 | 21.1 | 3.3 | 2,292 |
| 1956 : Mar. | 29.3 | 48.9 | 13.2 | 8.6 | 4,917 | 23.6 | 44.5 | 26.5 | 5.4 | 2,240 |
| April | 30.4 | 44.4 | 14.1 | 11.1 | 3,953 | 23.2 | 45.0 | 25.8 | 6.0 | 2,046 |
| May | 31.6 | 43.3 | 11.9 | 13.2 | 4,190 | 24.2 | 43.4 | 26.9 | 5.5 | 2,302 |
| June | 34.6 | 44.9 | 8.0 | 12.5 | 3,716 | 26.2 | 43.1 | 24.9 | 5.8 | 1,912 |
| July | 34.3 | 46.2 | 6.2 | 13.3 | 4,103 | 24.7 | 44.4 | 26.0 | 4.9 | 2,172 |

20. Coal Production in New South Wales

| Period of Four Weeks | Last Day of Period (1956 Dates) | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Thousand tons | | | | | | | | |
| 1st* | Jan. 21 | 714 | 442 | 622 | 604 | 605 | 304 | 291 |
| 2nd | Feb. 18 | 952 | 876 | 1,134 | 1,135 | 1,151 | 1,194 | 1,037 |
| 3rd | Mar. 17 | 932 | 888 | 1,292 | 1,139 | 1,217 | 1,036 | 1,046 |
| 4th | Apr. 14 | 925 | 1,052 | 1,158 | 1,008 | 1,134 | 1,098 | 1,018 |
| 5th | May 12 | 1,013 | 980 | 1,171 | 931 | 1,119 | 1,164 | 1,146 |
| 6th | June 9 | 1,038 | 1,052 | 1,147 | 999 | 1,285 | 1,222 | 1,196 |
| 7th | July 7 | 923 | 1,168 | 1,236 | 1,052 | 1,155 | 1,203 | 1,317p |
| 8th | Aug. 4 | 961 | 1,158 | 1,177 | 1,309 | 1,201 | 1,295 | 1,326p |
| 9th | Sept. 1 | 1,144 | 1,174 | 1,240 | 1,247 | 1,221 | 1,249 | 1,251p |
| 10th | Sept. 29 | 1,051 | 1,205 | 1,287 | 1,242 | 1,246 | 1,274 | |
| 11th | Oct. 27 | 1,120 | 1,255 | 1,267 | 1,232 | 1,257 | 1,246 | |
| 12th | Nov. 24 | 1,093 | 1,222 | 1,272 | 1,284 | 1,211 | 1,202 | |
| 13th* | Dec. 22 | 932 | 1,041 | 1,019 | 992 | 1,281 | 1,249 | |
| Year : Underground | | 11,197 | 11,224 | 12,492 | 12,452 | 13,703 | 13,835 | |
| Open Cut ... | | 1,601 | 2,289 | 2,530 | 1,722 | 1,380 | 901 | |
| Total ... | | 12,798 | 13,513 | 15,022 | 14,174 | 15,083 | 14,736 | |

THIRTY-SIX WEEKS ENDED—

| | Sept. 9 | Sept. 8 | Sept. 6 | Sept. 5 | Sept. 4 | Sept. 3 | Sept. 1 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Northern District ... | 5,588 | 5,599 | 6,542 | 5,968 | 6,390 | 6,145 | 5,994p |
| Southern District ... | 1,587 | 1,674 | 1,831 | 1,980 | 2,212 | 2,351 | 2,549p |
| Western District ... | 1,427 | 1,517 | 1,804 | 1,476 | 1,486 | 1,269 | 1,085p |
| Underground ... | 7,562 | 7,415 | 8,420 | 8,205 | 9,093 | 9,135 | 9,068p |
| Open Cut ... | 1,040 | 1,375 | 1,757 | 1,219 | 995 | 630 | 560p |
| Total ... | 8,602 | 8,790 | 10,177 | 9,424 | 10,088 | 9,765 | 9,628p |

*Miners' mid-summer holidays:

| | 1950. | 1951. | 1952. | 1953. | 1954. | 1955. | 1956. |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| In 1st Period ... | { N-1 wk. S & W-2 wks. } | 2 weeks | 2 weeks | 2 weeks | 2 weeks | 3 weeks | 3 weeks |
| In 13th Period | 1 week | 1 week | 1 week | 1 week | Nil. | Nil. | |

21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

| Month | Average 1929 to 1931 | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 |
|-----------|----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| January | 100 | 221 | 235 | 251 | 252 | 275 | 281 | 299 |
| February | 100 | 241 | 240 | 258 | 263 | 277 | 297 | 318 |
| March | 100 | 238 | 235 | 253 | 264 | 285 | 298 | 308 |
| April | 100 | 226 | 243 | 249 | 256 | 273 | 281 | 306 |
| May | 100 | 237 | 240 | 253 | 261 | 286 | 300 | 320 |
| June | 100 | 232 | 245 | 250 | 274 | 300 | 313 | 332 |
| July | 100 | 214 | 253 | 254 | 276 | 296 | 311 | 333 |
| August | 100 | 234 | 255 | 248 | 273 | 296 | 311 | |
| September | 100 | 236 | 248 | 251 | 276 | 304 | 305 | |
| October | 100 | 238 | 255 | 254 | 279 | 294 | 299 | |
| November | 100 | 246 | 265 | 256 | 283 | 303 | 313 | |
| December | 100 | 236 | 246 | 265 | 282 | 299 | 305 | |
| Year | 100 | 233 | 247 | 253 | 270 | 291 | 302 | |

MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1954-55 are final, but all figures from July, 1955, are subject to revision.
Particulars in Tables 22-27 have been revised since last issue on the basis of annual returns for 1954-55.

22. Production of Food and Drink

| Period | Butter * | Cheese * | Processed Whole Milk Products | Bacon and Ham * | Jam | Preserved Fruit | Preserved Vegetables | Ice Cream |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| | Thousand lb. | | | | | | | Thous. gal. |
| Year: 1950-51 | 76,873 | 6,630 | 45,827 | 28,157 | 31,096 | 35,743 | 32,130 | 7,711 |
| 1951-52 | 52,501 | 4,469 | 38,577 | 27,911† | 29,260 | 48,106 | 37,823 | 7,937 |
| 1952-53 | 83,076 | 7,084 | 54,451 | 29,509 | 20,095 | 37,118 | 35,880 | 5,322 |
| 1953-54 | 66,557 | 7,191 | 50,233 | 26,499 | 23,800 | 52,592 | 19,603 | 5,525 |
| 1954-55 | 86,661 | 5,617 | 26,580 | 26,218 | 22,377 | 46,867 | 22,967 | 6,050 |
| 1955-56p | 91,984 | 7,595 | 39,691 | 25,392 | 22,769 | 40,567 | 32,704 | 6,230 |
| 1955: March | 9,634 | 588 | 2,235 | 2,250 | 2,722 | 24,696 | 3,265 | 565 |
| April | 6,855 | 486 | 1,510 | 2,094 | 1,807 | 1,791 | 1,554 | 496 |
| May | 4,738 | 307 | 2,280 | 2,046 | 1,777 | 433 | 1,348 | 315 |
| June | 3,365 | 237 | 1,644 | 2,198 | 1,084 | 244 | 1,538 | 268 |
| July | 3,302 | 264 | 1,800 | 1,972 | 1,604 | 488 | 1,850 | 254 |
| 1956: March | 8,469 | 818 | 4,118 | 1,901 | 2,106 | 18,579 | 2,970 | 623 |
| April | 6,173 | 632 | 3,402 | 1,946 | 1,589 | 934 | 1,904 | 498 |
| May | 4,478 | 380 | 2,601 | 2,054 | 1,613 | 504 | 1,971 | 377 |
| June | 3,387 | 338 | 2,767 | 1,595 | 1,139 | 672 | 2,016 | 249 |
| July | 3,098 | 388 | 2,625 | 1,623 | 1,673 | 161 | 1,362 | 280 |

| Period | Flour (Wheaten) | Bran (Wheaten) | Pollard (Wheaten) | Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch) | Biscuits † | Confectionery | | Beer |
|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| | | | | | | Chocolate (excl. coverture) | Other | |
| | Tons (2,000 lb.) | | | Cwt. | Thous. lb. | Thousand lb. | | Thous. gal. |
| Year: 1950-51 | 677,682 | 112,744 | 146,879 | 179,891 | 67,725 | 25,766 | 34,900 | 61,966 |
| 1951-52 | 563,325 | 97,733 | 131,498 | 203,440 | 76,732 | 23,243 | 36,894 | 66,799 |
| 1952-53 | 521,957 | 84,221 | 125,575 | 198,345 | 73,432 | 20,829 | 35,673 | 72,672 |
| 1953-54 | 581,547 | 91,374 | 135,115 | 194,737 | 73,543 | 21,803 | 33,963 | 79,943 |
| 1954-55 | 561,233 | 96,036 | 126,605 | 216,557 | 73,090 | 19,797 | 35,981 | 88,081 |
| 1955-56p | 548,880 | 86,285 | 119,030 | 246,289 | 76,478 | 21,195 | 36,551 | 94,782 |
| 1955: March | 56,966 | 10,026 | 13,303 | 19,474 | 5,615 | 1,932 | 3,056 | 8,385 |
| April | 47,998 | 7,929 | 10,859 | 18,469 | 6,040 | 2,002 | 2,439 | 7,800 |
| May | 53,788 | 9,047 | 12,395 | 21,560 | 6,337 | 2,477 | 3,073 | 7,089 |
| June | 46,809 | 7,838 | 10,803 | 22,852 | 5,933 | 2,508 | 3,197 | 6,810 |
| July | 45,240 | 6,602 | 9,393 | 22,652 | 7,166 | 2,205 | 2,927 | 6,579 |
| 1956: March | 43,764 | 6,928 | 10,017 | 18,875 | 6,866 | 2,152 | 2,930 | 8,238 |
| April | 48,545 | 7,465 | 10,698 | 19,515 | 5,406 | 2,198 | 2,682 | 7,645 |
| May | 53,537 | 8,557 | 11,679 | 26,695 | 6,610 | 2,734 | 3,401 | 7,010 |
| June | 48,894 | 7,430 | 10,642 | 23,023 | 7,354 | 2,136 | 3,087 | 6,024 |
| July | 48,303 | 7,381 | 10,663 | 24,557 | 6,197 | 2,068 | 3,310 | 6,276 |

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

23. Production of Metals, Coal and Energy

| Period | Gold | Coal | Coke (Metallurg.) | Pig Iron | Ingot Steel | Gas | Electricity |
|---------------|----------|---------------|----------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| | Fine oz. | Thousand tons | | | | Mill. cub. ft. | Mill. kWh |
| Year: 1950-51 | 52,714 | 12,683 | 1,488 | 1,158 | 1,405 | 19,444 | 4,241 |
| 1951-52 | 40,761 | 14,800 | 1,607 | 1,219 | 1,473 | 20,537 | 4,628 |
| 1952-53 | 32,040 | 14,289 | 1,866 | 1,541 | 1,846 | 20,216 | 4,868 |
| 1953-54 | 31,913 | 15,011 | 1,987 | 1,621 | 2,086 | 20,802 | 5,450 |
| 1954-55 | 27,750 | 14,660 | 2,029 | 1,669 | 2,162 | 21,360 | 5,951 |
| 1955-56p | 30,184 | 14,627 | 2,053 | 1,777 | 2,329 | 21,873 | 6,495 |
| 1955: March | 2,070 | 1,253 | 172 | 141 | 178 | 1,618 | 510 |
| April | 2,521 | 1,125 | 149 | 121 | 154 | 1,595 | 479 |
| May | 3,036 | 1,319 | 166 | 130 | 186 | 1,893 | 542 |
| June | 3,193 | 1,309 | 175 | 126 | 175 | 2,039 | 555 |
| July | 2,668 | 1,366 | 169 | 142 | 192 | 2,211 | 582 |
| 1956: March | 2,371 | 1,101 | 183 | 153 | 198 | 1,672 | 542 |
| April | 2,239 | 1,195 | 175 | 147 | 184 | 1,695 | 517 |
| May | 2,463 | 1,369 | 189 | 162 | 214 | 1,969 | 591 |
| June | 1,961 | 1,322 | 186 | 153 | 213 | 2,113 | 594 |
| July | 1,862 | 1,447 | 189 | 158 | 226 | 2,252 | 634 |

* Monthly totals are approximate.

24. Production of Textiles and Clothing

| Period | Yarn | | | | Woven Cloth | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Woollen (Pure) | Worsted (Pure) | Cotton (Pure) | Other Yarn | Woollen (Pure) | Worsted (Pure) | Cotton (Pure) | Other Cloth |
| | Thousand lb. | | | | Thousand sq. yds. | | | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 3,839 | 8,218 | 16,346 | n.a. | 2,321 | 10,929 | 13,044 | 8,019 |
| 1951-52 | 3,186 | 6,457 | 15,700 | 219 | 1,176 | 9,281 | 13,093 | 6,890 |
| 1952-53 | 2,425 | 6,295 | 14,043 | 1,403 | 1,872 | 7,802 | 11,154 | 8,507 |
| 1953-54 | 3,287 | 5,976 | 18,161 | 4,215 | 1,188 | 8,553 | 15,508 | 11,828 |
| 1954-55 | 3,020 | 6,009 | 19,168 | 8,484 | 1,260 | 7,394 | 15,974 | 9,143 |
| 1955-56p | 3,066 | 5,867 | 19,253 | 12,037 | 1,013 | 7,397 | 16,787 | 9,178 |
| 1955 : March | 264 | 591 | 1,947 | 891 | 111 | 689 | 1,451 | 769 |
| April | 219 | 400 | 1,375 | 799 | 59 | 519 | 1,126 | 665 |
| May | 266 | 518 | 1,665 | 775 | 47 | 644 | 1,511 | 942 |
| June | 283 | 565 | 1,775 | 1,183 | 60 | 705 | 1,522 | 816 |
| July | 241 | 494 | 1,679 | 969 | 77 | 671 | 1,468 | 824 |
| 1956 : March | 321 | 509 | 1,600 | 953 | 113 | 667 | 1,401 | 837 |
| April | 268 | 418 | 1,557 | 1,076 | 72 | 526 | 1,491 | 932 |
| May | 247 | 588 | 1,760 | 1,129 | 80 | 695 | 1,604 | 819 |
| June | 250 | 475 | 1,627 | 1,151 | 85 | 559 | 1,448 | 920 |
| July | 236 | 476 | 1,761 | 1,140 | 97 | 601 | 1,511 | 1,040 |

| Period | Hosiery | | Corsets (incl. roll-on girdles. | Brassieres | Gloves | | Boots, Shoes and Sandals* | Slippers |
|----------------|----------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|---------|---------------------------------|----------|
| | Women's, Maids' and Girls' | Other | | | Dress | Work* | | |
| | Dozen pairs | | Dozen | | Dozen pairs | | Thousand pairs | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 465,854 | 423,477 | 46,880 | 168,814 | 14,277 | 125,834 | 6,287 | 2,755 |
| 1951-52 | 463,596 | 376,536 | 48,120 | 163,163 | 15,362 | 151,555 | 6,675 | 2,465 |
| 1952-53 | 565,016 | 337,153 | 40,970 | 148,727 | 21,761 | 112,503 | 6,229 | 2,461 |
| 1953-54 | 610,178 | 442,305 | 57,020 | 178,604 | 27,740 | 147,326 | 7,272 | 2,978 |
| 1954-55 | 641,205 | 451,010 | 50,398 | 159,144 | 14,707 | 184,009 | 7,008 | 2,098 |
| 1955-56p | 595,696 | 365,107 | 57,333 | 164,339 | 17,073 | 192,335 | 6,828 | 2,296 |
| 1955: March | 62,567 | 38,416 | 4,696 | 16,575 | 1,252 | 16,323 | 614 | 188 |
| April | 45,930 | 29,217 | 3,498 | 11,937 | 832 | 14,601 | 518 | 187 |
| May | 48,993 | 32,583 | 3,459 | 13,739 | 1,202 | 15,971 | 594 | 225 |
| June | 45,855 | 38,915 | 4,558 | 16,795 | 1,196 | 17,236 | 622 | 235 |
| July | 40,938 | 33,381 | 3,234 | 11,888 | 1,366 | 16,470 | 559 | 207 |
| 1956: March | 54,132 | 32,824 | 5,101 | 13,796 | 1,500 | 13,458 | 575 | 189 |
| April | 47,506 | 29,435 | 4,435 | 12,778 | 1,534 | 11,154 | 493 | 180 |
| May | 56,987 | 38,288 | 5,828 | 17,049 | 2,025 | 16,693 | 647 | 210 |
| June | 55,159 | 26,516 | 5,649 | 14,409 | 1,578 | 13,336 | 582 | 181 |
| July | 56,202 | 37,645 | 3,486 | 12,128 | 1,784 | 13,894 | 655 | 140 |

| Period | Men's and Youths' Outer Clothing | | | | | Cardigans, Pullovers (Knitted) | |
|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | 3-Piece Suits | 2-Piece Suits | Sports Coats and Blazers | Sports Trousers | Overcoats and Raincoats† | Men's, Youths' and Boys' | Women's, Maids' and Girls' |
| | Number | | | | | Dozen | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 116,836 | 301,805 | 253,808 | 1,314,067 | 135,243 | 78,434 | 95,164 |
| 1951-52 | 69,491 | 273,081 | 205,672 | 1,127,600 | 129,793 | 66,579 | 101,258 |
| 1952-53 | 43,466 | 241,402 | 173,653 | 947,725 | 93,945 | 56,828 | 89,279 |
| 1953-54 | 35,026 | 282,435 | 251,748 | 1,168,169 | 70,117 | 89,409 | 139,990 |
| 1954-55 | 33,294 | 285,979 | 277,077 | 1,210,723 | 50,603 | 94,462 | 138,950 |
| 1955-56p | 19,735 | 301,849 | 248,492 | 1,363,750 | 52,570 | 86,497 | 135,147 |
| 1955 : March | 2,454 | 24,095 | 23,057 | 114,665 | 7,499 | 13,862 | 15,050 |
| April | 2,446 | 22,254 | 21,765 | 97,389 | 5,444 | 10,278 | 12,890 |
| May | 2,369 | 24,505 | 24,473 | 120,043 | 5,882 | 8,749 | 14,612 |
| June | 2,419 | 23,130 | 20,488 | 120,677 | 4,150 | 7,235 | 14,318 |
| July | 2,197 | 25,699 | 17,652 | 103,280 | 4,039 | 4,826 | 12,274 |
| 1956 : March | 1,652 | 22,865 | 23,839 | 119,795 | 8,064 | 11,155 | 14,384 |
| April | 1,047 | 23,903 | 19,962 | 102,654 | 7,097 | 8,964 | 12,448 |
| May | 1,257 | 26,203 | 26,046 | 137,742 | 5,674 | 13,094 | 13,384 |
| June | 1,782 | 24,497 | 21,275 | 111,943 | 2,497 | 7,940 | 11,344 |
| July | 1,272 | 23,480 | 21,247 | 109,555 | 3,703 | 6,037 | 11,122 |

* Excluding articles of rubber. † Excluding plastic raincoats.

25. Production of Building Materials

| Period | Sawn Timber (Native) * | Bricks (Clay) | Tiles | | Asbestos Cement Building Sheets | Fibrous Plaster Sheets | Cement | Paints | |
|---------------|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------|--|------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | Terra Cotta | Cement | | | | Ready- Mixed Paint | Lacquers and Enamels |
| | Mill. sup. ft. | Thousands | | | Thousand | sq. yds. | Tons | Thousand gal. | |
| Year: 1950-51 | 338.3 | 341,994 | 22,590 | 11,213 | 9,777 | 4,963 | 613,425 | 2,577 | 1,575 |
| 1951-52 | 380.6 | 354,545 | 22,765 | 20,273 | 10,545 | 4,962 | 594,276 | 2,598 | 1,771 |
| 1952-53 | 347.3 | 300,328 | 28,034 | 5,692 | 9,384 | 4,616 | 670,644 | 2,078 | 1,725 |
| 1953-54 | 370.3r | 375,593 | 30,431 | 8,484 | 9,746 | 5,445 | 726,053 | 2,363 | 2,288 |
| 1954-55 | 372.9 | 382,902 | 29,778 | 10,153 | 10,477 | 6,036 | 815,603 | 2,761 | 2,932 |
| 1955-56p | 375.4 | 372,604 | 29,768 | 11,983 | 10,057 | 5,351 | 805,400 | 2,900 | 3,067 |
| 1955: March | 26.4 | 33,401 | 2,509 | 1,036 | 924 | 537 | 62,198 | 262 | 252 |
| April | 26.8 | 29,288 | 2,250 | 786 | 796 | 472 | 62,744 | 261 | 229 |
| May | 30.0 | 34,399 | 2,472 | 773 | 891 | 506 | 71,805 | 259 | 252 |
| June | 38.0 | 31,651 | 2,512 | 748 | 897 | 474 | 73,474 | 226 | 259 |
| July | 32.7 | 33,116 | 2,264 | 861 | 976 | 472 | 66,662 | 213 | 222 |
| 1956: March | 21.9 | 28,930 | 2,248 | 1,337 | 783 | 427 | 62,419 | 253 | 243 |
| April | 23.5 | 29,496 | 2,413 | 1,244 | 855 | 426 | 65,233 | 246 | 230 |
| May | 33.4 | 32,178 | 2,766 | 1,241 | 868 | 455 | 71,226 | 294 | 295 |
| June | 34.4 | 29,472 | 2,547 | 620 | 824 | 429 | 72,438 | 219 | 235 |
| July | 28.6 | 32,643 | 2,443 | 628 | 725 | 432 | 68,801 | 220 | 210 |

26. Production of Household Appliances

| Period | Stoves, Domestic Cooking | | | | Coppers (Gas and Electric) | Sink Heaters (Gas and Electric) | Bath Heaters (All Types) | Hot Water Systems (Storage— All Types) | |
|--------|--------------------------|--------|----------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|--------|
| | Solid Fuel | Gas | Electric | | | | | | |
| | | | Stoves | Stovettes Excl. Cookers | | | | | |
| Number | | | | | | | | | |
| Year: | 1950-51 | 14,183 | 26,933 | 16,623 | 38,074 | 48,928 | 10,333 | 68,273 | 29,775 |
| | 1951-52 | 15,214 | 25,232 | 17,022 | 26,290 | 41,686 | 13,537 | 62,492 | 28,707 |
| | 1952-53 | 11,316 | 17,556 | 8,137 | 17,522 | 23,375 | 6,800 | 47,523 | 18,170 |
| | 1953-54 | 13,582 | 22,729 | 13,263 | 20,150 | n.a. | 8,351 | 49,511 | 25,418 |
| | 1954-55 | 13,235 | n.a. | 23,015 | 18,038 | 26,552 | 10,213 | 50,680 | 26,725 |
| | 1955-56p | 12,302 | 20,813 | 26,093 | 16,273 | 24,465 | 10,330 | 47,645 | 25,646 |
| 1955: | March | 1,048 | n.a. | 2,518 | 1,673 | 2,839 | 888 | 4,653 | 2,471 |
| | April | 805 | n.a. | 1,924 | 1,254 | 1,558 | 646 | 4,043 | 1,935 |
| | May | 948 | n.a. | 2,291 | 1,062 | 2,195 | 782 | 4,331 | 2,220 |
| | June | 1,099 | n.a. | 2,229 | 1,217 | 1,790 | 1,011 | 4,941 | 2,010 |
| | July | 1,183 | 3,252 | 2,360 | 1,374 | 2,109 | 980 | 4,215 | 2,359 |
| 1956: | March | 796 | 1,076 | 2,047 | 1,657 | 1,995 | 828 | 3,877 | 1,975 |
| | April | 741 | 1,119 | 1,822 | 1,087 | 1,726 | 657 | 3,779 | 1,686 |
| | May | 928 | 919 | 2 161 | 1,225 | 2,438 | 838 | 4,941 | 2,566 |
| | June | 876 | 1,260 | 1 758 | 1,086 | 1,661 | 994 | 4,210 | 2,261 |
| | July | 925 | 2,257 | 2 593 | 1,438 | 1,849 | 953 | 4,842 | 2,277 |

| Period | Refrigerators (Household) | Electric Clothes Washing Machines (Domestic) | Electric Toasters | Wireless Cabinets | Radios | | | Radiograms |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------------------|------------|
| | | | | | Portable | Car | Mantel, Table and Console | |
| Number | | | | | | | | |
| Year: 1950-51 | 113,603 | 19,163 | 70,676 | 276,682 | ..... | 197,026 | ..... | 60,616 |
| 1951-52 | 101,195 | 23,097 | 107,448 | 227,014 | ..... | 165,511 | ..... | 45,655 |
| 1952-53 | 91,717 | 14,669 | 47,049 | 156,739 | ..... | 56,030 | ..... | 40,787 |
| 1953-54 | 159,287 | 43,815 | 70,461 | 265,503 | ..... | 78,221 | ..... | 60,196 |
| 1954-55 | 171,641 | 71,617 | 75,134 | 277,993 | 63,022 | 27,743 | 127,013 | 66,592 |
| 1955-56p | 154,504 | 74,011 | 92,642 | 251,394 | 48,447 | 32,247 | 129,205 | 63,115 |
| 1955: March | 10,056 | 6,733 | 8,743 | 18,105 | 6,881 | 3,934 | 8,487 | 5,519 |
| April | 5,525 | 4,915 | 6,383 | 13,993 | 3,818 | 2,497 | 7,770 | 4,590 |
| May | 7,456 | 6,339 | 6,717 | 16,740 | 3,539 | 2,985 | 9,971 | 5,516 |
| June | 6,705 | 6,725 | 3,721 | 16,720 | 2,830 | 2,668 | 9,732 | 5,129 |
| July | 8,434 | 6,187 | 7,400 | 17,03 | 2,470 | 3,432 | 11,360 | 5,171 |
| 1956: March | 9,476 | 6,843 | 7,630 | 24,757 | 3,851 | 1,305 | 12,081 | 5,390 |
| April | 5,746 | 5,014 | 7,946 | 12,822 | 3,648 | 2,950 | 7,301 | 4,502 |
| May | 6,530 | 7,376 | 10,270 | 31,341 | 4,433 | 1,124 | 11,353 | 5,726 |
| June | 5,934 | 7,313 | 8,592 | 19,200 | 2,848 | 2,056 | 11,355 | 6,764 |
| July | 7,426 | 5,362 | 8,364 | 17,921 | 3,244 | 1,317 | 8,276 | 6,046 |

27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

| Period | Internal Combustion Engines | Electric Motors | | Motor Bodies * | Pedal Cycles |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Under 1 h.p. | Over 1 h.p. | | |
| Number | | | | | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 23,746 | 369,684 | 34,166 | 8,866 | 29,156 |
| 1951-52 | 22,480 | 417,945 | 34,255 | 9,276 | 28,701 |
| 1952-53 | 12,126 | 353,820 | 21,251 | 9,431 | 21,766 |
| 1953-54 | 17,482 | 682,480 | 22,410 | 21,956 | 23,405 |
| 1954-55 | 17,281 | 851,460 | 30,493 | 26,777 | 28,253 |
| 1955-56p | 48,626 | 752,959 | 30,327 | 31,792 | 27,693 |
| 1955: March | 1,070 | 85,386 | 3,159 | 2,663 | 2 344 |
| April | 1,285 | 60,864 | 2,508 | 2,256 | 2 272 |
| May | 1,494 | 62,607 | 2,911 | 2,725 | 2 570 |
| June | 2,237 | 66,518 | 2,303 | 2,555 | 2 406 |
| July | 2,307 | 63,243 | 2,730 | 2,709 | 2 425 |
| 1956: March | n.a. | 57,366 | 2,717 | 2,919 | 1,667 |
| April | n.a. | 49,413 | 2,493 | 2,446 | 1,498 |
| May | n.a. | 59,369 | 2,686 | 2,990 | 1,884 |
| June | 1,500 | 42,975 | 2,275 | 2,437 | 1,635 |
| July | 2,645 | 42,097 | 2,088 | 2,318 | 1,813 |

| Period | Soap † | | | | Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents) |
|----------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------|---|
| | Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap) | Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders) | Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders) | Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand) | |
| | Cwt. | | | | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 241,185 | 666,063 | 62,289 | 99,160 | 53,696‡ |
| 1951-52 | 265,115 | 710,139 | 56,189 | 106,550 | 55,246 |
| 1952-53 | 231,759 | 692,804 | 67,475 | 87,007 | 44,014 |
| 1953-54 | 265,438 | 666,303 | 75,213 | 98,401 | 60,073 |
| 1954-55 | 291,493 | 712,876 | 91,277 | 117,532 | 50,096 |
| 1955-56p | 262,306 | 695,751 | 98,399 | 126,454 | 42,583 |
| 1955: March | 30,216 | 81,244 | 7,496 | 10,565 | 5,536 |
| April | 22,225 | 47,356 | 4,347 | 9,416 | 3,957 |
| May | 28,367 | 60,108 | 7,927 | 9,792 | 4,453 |
| June | 28,404 | 73,314 | 8,676 | 8,659 | 5,065 |
| July | 22,486 | 55,382 | 7,063 | 9,768 | 3,301 |
| 1956: March | 23,668 | 72,351 | 8,548 | 10,918 | 3,739 |
| April | 19,857 | 52,811 | 8,910 | 10,866 | 4,043 |
| May | 27,487 | 59,530 | 9,641 | 10,622 | 3,005 |
| June | 24,087 | 65,952 | 7,007 | 9,775 | 3,408 |
| July | 25,514 | 47,57 | 8,201 | 9,954 | 2,621 |

| Period | Sulphuric Acid | Sulphate of Ammonia | Mattresses | | |
|----------------|----------------|---------------------|------------|--------------|---------|
| | | | Wire | Inner Spring | Other |
| | | Tons | Number | | |
| Year : 1950-51 | 112,151 | 37,222 | 78,285 | 157,406 | 166,865 |
| 1951-52 | 117,035 | 43,549 | 67,264 | 128,104 | 118,942 |
| 1952-53 | 124,359 | 48,078 | 80,961 | 148,554 | 98,352 |
| 1953-54 | 147,777 | 52,785 | 109,340 | 194,596 | 97,651 |
| 1954-55 | 184,234 | 57,242 | 121,149 | 215,574 | 100,209 |
| 1955-56p | 179,744 | 53,915 | 103,925 | 218,926 | 84,699 |
| 1955: March | 17,021 | 4,987 | 11,724 | 24,680 | 9,585 |
| April | 17,588 | 4,931 | 10,046 | 19,780 | 7,859 |
| May | 15,711 | 4,384 | 12,242 | 21,201 | 9,730 |
| June | 17,558 | 4,884 | 10,784 | 16,822 | 9,367 |
| July | 17,456 | 4,541 | 9,121 | 16,100 | 7,806 |
| 1956: March | 14,056 | 4,001 | 10,912 | 19,926 | 6,509 |
| April | 12,215 | 4,133 | 9,448 | 17,357 | 5,633 |
| May | 11,183 | 5,137 | 8,642 | 19,786 | 6,553 |
| June | 10,782 | 5,248 | 5,808 | 15,488 | 6,160 |
| July | 10,452 | 4,611 | 6,501 | 15,542 | 6,078 |

* Excludes conversions, cabins, and bodies assembled from imported panels.

† Figures to June, 1954, include

‡ Includes synthetic detergents.

28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales (Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

| Month | Sheep Districts | | | | | Wheat Districts | | | | Coastal Dairying Districts | | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | N. | C. | S. | W. | T. | N. | C. | S. | T. | N. | C. | S. | T. |
| 1955 : March | 33 | 49 | 140 | 134 | 83 | 13 | 63 | 155 | 113 | 154 | 172 | 96 | 151 |
| April | 156 | 79 | 41 | 221 | 104 | 120 | 66 | 41 | 57 | 159 | 159 | 48 | 145 |
| May | 121 | 138 | 164 | 185 | 147 | 110 | 154 | 143 | 142 | 144 | 143 | 224 | 154 |
| June | 72 | 68 | 105 | 55 | 80 | 79 | 68 | 105 | 92 | 60 | 71 | 58 | 63 |
| July | 97 | 72 | 131 | 338 | 100 | 93 | 66 | 119 | 102 | 53 | 40 | 33 | 47 |
| August | 108 | 115 | 146 | 177 | 130 | 124 | 134 | 157 | 147 | 7 | 21 | 31 | 13 |
| September | 88 | 98 | 100 | 114 | 98 | 93 | 91 | 110 | 103 | 92 | 72 | 50 | 82 |
| October | 304 | 307 | 214 | 445 | 291 | 315 | 270 | 221 | 246 | 124 | 134 | 96 | 123 |
| November | 78 | 133 | 98 | 104 | 103 | 100 | 140 | 87 | 103 | 25 | 141 | 101 | 64 |
| December | 76 | 62 | 94 | 35 | 73 | 78 | 76 | 76 | 76 | 310 | 136 | 142 | 244 |
| 1956 : January | 162 | 197 | 199 | 145 | 182 | 135 | 174 | 206 | 189 | 128 | 162 | 91 | 132 |
| February | 386 | 388 | 142 | 265 | 294 | 370 | 384 | 131 | 227 | 402 | 362 | 452 | 398 |
| March | 136 | 396 | 461 | 659 | 372 | 113 | 393 | 503 | 425 | 120 | 245 | 291 | 174 |
| April | 155 | 164 | 264 | 146 | 192 | 170 | 175 | 266 | 230 | 64 | 43 | 57 | 58 |
| May | 258 | 197 | 249 | 252 | 237 | 299 | 203 | 260 | 250 | 127 | 156 | 245 | 150 |
| June | 155 | 163 | 176 | 129 | 161 | 149 | 155 | 156 | 155 | 126 | 198 | 244 | 160 |
| July | 104 | 192 | 215 | 344 | 191 | 115 | 172 | 235 | 204 | 17 | 39 | 102 | 34 |
| August | 29 | 78 | 101 | 22 | 66 | 41 | 89 | 100 | 90 | 45 | 84 | 74 | 59 |

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

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29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

| Particulars | 1938-39 | 1950-51 | 1951-52 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Sheep mill. | 48.9 | 54.1 | 53.7 | 57.5 | 59.6 | 59.2 |
| Sheep shorn mill. | 51.5 | 52.9 | 52.7 | 56.7 | 59.2 | 59.6 |
| Wool produced* .. mill. lb. | 437.1 | 492.1 | 437.8 | 556.6 | 544.9 | 541.0 |

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales (Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

| Period | Received into Store during period | | | | Unsold in Store at end of period | | | |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|---------|----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| | Sydney | New-castle | Goul-burn | Total | Sydney | New-castle | Goul-burn | Total |
| Thousand bales | | | | | | | | |
| Season : 1947-48 | 869.2 | 152.1 | 46.9 | 1,068.2 | 13.7 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 15.1 |
| 1948-49 | 998.9 | 181.1 | 54.4 | 1,234.4 | 75.7 | 2.8 | 0.5 | 79.0 |
| 1949-50 | 1,066.6 | 218.9 | 57.0 | 1,342.5 | 11.6 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 13.0 |
| 1950-51 | 1,052.4 | 176.0 | 51.2 | 1,279.6 | 24.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 26.8 |
| 1951-52 | 903.6 | 164.4 | 42.7 | 1,110.7 | 14.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 15.8 |
| 1952-53 | 1,136.2 | 207.2 | 53.2 | 1,396.6 | 17.5 | 0.8 | ... | 18.3 |
| 1953-54 | 1,108.7 | 262.7 | 57.6 | 1,428.5 | 19.1 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 21.1 |
| 1954-55 | 1,077.9 | 251.8 | 56.9 | 1,386.6 | 22.7 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 26.2 |
| 1955-56 | 1,145.3 | 271.4 | 66.2 | 1,482.9 | 17.5 | 1.6 | ... | 19.1 |
| 1955 : March | 28.7 | 5.6 | 0.6 | 34.9 | 153.0 | 18.4 | 6.7 | 178.1 |
| April | 53.0 | 14.5 | 0.6 | 68.1 | 161.3 | 32.9 | 7.3 | 201.5 |
| May | 63.2 | 11.0 | 0.7 | 74.9 | 103.7 | 18.3 | 0.3 | 122.3 |
| June | 46.7 | 8.3 | ... | 55.0 | 22.7 | 3.2 | 0.3 | 26.2 |
| July | 75.7 | 11.4 | 0.3 | 87.4 | 96.0 | 14.5 | 0.4 | 110.9 |
| August | 156.0 | 36.6 | 3.0 | 195.6 | 206.8 | 51.1 | 3.4 | 261.3 |
| 1956 : March | 36.1 | 10.0 | 0.6 | 46.7 | 115.7 | 39.1 | 20.2 | 175.0 |
| April | 52.0 | 14.5 | 1.0 | 67.5 | 70.3 | 53.5 | 9.6 | 133.4 |
| May | 61.8 | 12.4 | 0.5 | 74.7 | 35.9 | 25.2 | 0.1 | 61.2 |
| June | 66.8 | 6.6 | ... | 73.4 | 17.5 | 1.6 | ... | 19.1 |
| July | 36.3 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 42.4 | 50.4 | 7.3 | 0.3 | 58.0 |
| August | 169.5 | 43.7 | 3.1 | 216.3 | 151.6 | 51.0 | 3.4 | 206.0 |

31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

| Period | | Wool Sold | | | | Amount Realised | | | | |
|----------|--------|--------------------|------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| | | Greasy and Scoured | | | Total | | Sydney | New-castle | Goul-burn | Total |
| | | Sydney | New-castle | Goul-burn | Greasy | Scoured | | | | |
| Season: | | Thousand bales * | | | | | £ thousand | | | |
| 1938-39 | | 1,144.6 | 32.1 | ... | 1,118.9 | 57.8 | n.a. | n.a. | ... | 15,521 |
| 1948-49 | | 925.4 | 170.2 | 54.0 | 1,079.0 | 70.6 | 3,699 | 10,193 | 3,439 | 67,331 |
| 1949-50 | | 1,118.4 | 202.7 | 57.1 | 1,293.8 | 84.4 | 86,510 | 16,217 | 4,987 | 107,714 |
| 1950-51 | | 1,038.6 | 175.5 | 50.9 | 1,194.8 | 70.2 | 185,502 | 32,589 | 10,113 | 228,204 |
| 1951-52 | | 912.2 | 165.4 | 43.3 | 1,071.9 | 49.0 | 85,188 | 15,943 | 4,130 | 105,261 |
| 1952-53 | | 1,132.8 | 207.1 | 53.3 | 1,340.8 | 52.4 | 122,090 | 23,153 | 6,105 | 151,348 |
| 1953-54 | | 1,106.5 | 260.8 | 57.6 | 1,380.0 | 44.9 | 12,084 | 26,580 | 6,131 | 144,795 |
| 1954-55 | | 1,073.6 | 250.4 | 56.6 | 1,341.7 | 38.9 | 95,501 | 22,273 | 5,225 | 122,999 |
| 1955-56† | | 1,149.7 | 272.9 | 66.3 | 1,455.4 | 33.5 | 89,166 | 21,147 | 5,386 | 115,699 |
| 1955: | March | 61.4 | 38.1 | 8.1 | 105.1 | 2.5 | 5,928 | 3,748 | 774 | 10,450 |
| | April | 44.6 | ... | ... | 42.3 | 2.3 | 4,136 | ... | ... | 4,136 |
| | May | 120.8 | 25.6 | 7.6 | 149.6 | 4.4 | 10,394 | 2,066 | 622 | 13,082 |
| | June | 127.5 | 23.4 | ... | 147.2 | 3.7 | 10,039 | 1,750 | ... | 11,789 |
| | July | 2.2 | ... | ... | ... | 2.2 | 201 | ... | ... | 201 |
| | August | 45.0 | ... | ... | 43.0 | 2.0 | 3,317 | ... | ... | 3,317 |
| 1956: | March | 133.8 | 39.3 | 9.2 | 180.2 | 2.1 | 10,822 | 3,321 | 778 | 14,921 |
| | April | 97.3 | 0.1 | 11.7 | 105.7 | 3.4 | 7,428 | 7 | 966 | 8,401 |
| | May | 96.2 | 40.7 | 9.8 | 143.5 | 3.2 | 7,274 | 3,190 | 790 | 11,254 |
| | June† | 85.1 | 30.3 | ... | 111.0 | 4.4 | 6,541 | 2,168 | ... | 8,709 |
| | July | 3.2 | 0.1 | ... | 1.1 | 2.2 | 260 | 5 | ... | 265 |
| | August | 68.1 | ... | ... | 64.7 | 3.4 | 5,881 | ... | ... | 5,881 |

* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis. † Including sales at auction in July, 1956, postponed from June.

32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

| Season | Average Price at Auction, New South Wales* | Month | Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month | | | |
|---------|--|-----------|--|---------|---------|---------|
| | | | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56 | 1956-57 |
| 1938-39 | Pence per lb. | July | 85.0‡ | 82.5‡ | 67.0‡ | 65.0 |
| 1945-46 | 10.3 | August | 84.0‡ | 75.0 | 60.0 | 69.0 |
| 1946-47 | 15.3† | September | 83.0 | 75.0 | 58.0 | ... |
| 1947-48 | 23.6 | October | 83.0 | 71.0 | 58.0 | ... |
| 1948-49 | 37.9 | November | 84.0 | 68.0 | 58.0 | ... |
| 1949-50 | 46.8 | December | 81.0 | 70.5 | 60.0 | ... |
| 1950-51 | 61.8 | January | 80.0 | 69.0 | 61.0 | ... |
| 1951-52 | 145.3 | February | 77.0 | 70.0 | 61.0 | ... |
| 1952-53 | 76.5 | March | 77.0 | 70.0 | 60.0 | ... |
| 1953-54 | 85.1 | April | 79.0‡ | 69.0 | 62.0 | ... |
| 1954-55 | 81.8 | May | 82.0 | 69.0 | 66.0 | ... |
| 1955-56 | 70.6 | June | 82.5 | 67.0 | 67.0‡ | ... |
| 1955-56 | 61.6 | | | | | |

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

| Season | Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain | Area under Wheat | | Yield of Grain | |
|---------------------|--|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|
| | | Total | For Grain | Total | Average per acre |
| 1936-37 to 1945-46* | Number | Acres | | Bushels | |
| 1946-47 | 15,875† | 4,203,047 | 3,824,667 | 49,850,000 | 13.0 |
| 1947-48 | 15,971 | 4,772,978 | 4,474,894 | 15,682,000 | 3.5 |
| 1948-49 | 16,803 | 5,355,169 | 5,043,017 | 95,227,000 | 18.9 |
| 1949-50 | 15,674 | 4,242,969 | 4,038,447 | 64,704,000 | 16.0 |
| 1950-51 | 15,594 | 4,173,857 | 4,011,744 | 81,939,000 | 20.4 |
| 1951-52 | 14,279 | 3,441,958 | 3,328,490 | 43,273,000 | 13.0 |
| 1952-53 | 13,147 | 2,930,170 | 2,753,317 | 39,689,000 | 14.4 |
| 1953-54 | 13,167 | 2,836,206 | 2,702,359 | 56,670,000 | 21.0 |
| 1954-55 | 14,865 | 3,547,624 | 3,356,888 | 63,681,000 | 19.0 |
| 1955-56 | 13,784 | 3,177,844 | 2,918,670 | 37,718,000 | 12.9 |
| 1955-56‡ | n.y.a. | 2,857,000 | 2,730,000 | 57,000,000 | 20.9 |

* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

‡ Preliminary.

34. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

| Period | Export Price* | | Home Price for Human Consumption§ | Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶ | Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver\|\| |
|---------------|---------------|--------|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | | For Commercial Export |
| | | | s. d. per bushel | | Cents (Can.) per bushel |
| Year: 1938-39 | 2 | 5.1 | 2 | 2.8 | 62.0 |
| 1947-48 | 19 | 4.7 | 6 | 0.2 | 287.9 |
| 1948-49 | 15 | 8.2 | 6 | 8 | 226.3 |
| | † | ‡ | | | |
| 1949-50 | 15 | 5.2 | 18 | 5.8 | 218.6 |
| 1950-51 | 16 | 1 | 18 | 8.8 | 212.3 |
| 1951-52 | 16 | 4.3 | 20 | 9 | 235.0 |
| 1952-53 | 16 | 6 | 21 | 2 | 216.5 |
| 1953-54 | 16 | 7** | 16 | 7** | 186.5 |
| 1954-55 | 14 | 6** | 14 | 6** | 173.0 |
| 1955-56 | 13 | 3** | 13 | 3** | 174.0 |
| 1955: July | 14 | 6** | 14 | 2.5 | 176.0 |
| August | 14 | 6** | 14 | 2.5 | 176.0 |
| September | 13 | 11.5** | 13 | 11.5** | 175.0 |
| October | 13 | 8** | 13 | 8** | 171.7 |
| November | 13 | 4** | 13 | 4** | 172.8 |
| December | 13 | 4** | 13 | 4** | 171.9 |
| 1956: January | 13 | 4** | 13 | 4** | 172.1 |
| February | 13 | 2** | 13 | 2** | 173.4 |
| March | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 175.6 |
| April | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 175.1 |
| May | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 175.0 |
| June | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 175.0 |
| July | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 173.8 |
| August | 12 | 9** | 12 | 9** | 173.2 |

* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows :—

1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.

§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

** For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

| Period | 1950-51 | 1951-52 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56p |
|-----------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | Thousand gallons | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 53,733 | 46,274 | 62,782 | 58,303 | 55,536 | 63,889 |
| December Qr. | 99,766 | 68,933 | 98,514 | 80,815 | 99,703 | 105,421 |
| January | 36,210 | 20,773 | 31,444 | 27,619 | 33,375 | 38,734 |
| February | 29,793 | 17,685 | 31,241 | 28,290 | 32,187 | 33,611 |
| March | 27,787 | 23,719 | 30,441 | 30,859 | 31,763 | 30,049 |
| April | 21,512 | 23,576 | 24,528 | 22,708 | 25,296 | 24,789 |
| May | 16,199 | 21,411 | 20,545 | 18,213 | 20,553 | 20,492 |
| June | 13,159 | 18,838 | 17,890 | 15,380 | 17,306 | 18,249 |
| Year ended June | 298,159 | 241,209 | 317,385 | 282,187 | 315,719 | 335,234 |

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

36. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

| Season | Export* | Sydney Wholesale | Net Return to farmer† | Month | Export* | Sydney Wholesale |
|---------|---------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| | s. d. per lb. | | | | s. d. per lb. | |
| 1938-39 | 1 | 1.2 | 1 | 1955: September | 3 | 6.0† |
| 1946-47 | 1 | 11.2 | 1 | October | 3 | 9.3 |
| 1947-48 | 2 | 3.3 | 1 | November | 4 | 0.9 |
| 1948-49 | 2 | 7.3 | 1 | December | 4 | 1.2 |
| 1949-50 | 2 | 9.6 | 1 | 1956: January | 4 | 0.4 |
| 1950-51 | 3 | 0.4 | 1 | February | 3 | 7.9 |
| 1951-52 | 3 | 3.1 | 2 | March | 3 | 4.7 |
| 1952-53 | 3 | 6.0 | 3 | April | 3 | 0.6 |
| 1953-54 | 3 | 7.7 | 3 | May | 2 | 11.3 |
| 1954-55 | 3 | 6.0 | 3 | June | 3 | 4.1 |
| 1955-56 | n. y. a. | 4 | 0.2 | July | 3 | 0.7 |
| | | | | August | 2 | 10.9 |

* Weighted average price for choicest butter, f.o.b. Australia. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years. ‡ Nominal

37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

| Period | New South Wales | | | Australia | | |
|---------------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------|---------|-------------------|
| | Merchandise | | | | | |
| | Imports | Exports | Excess of Exports | Imports | Exports | Excess of Exports |
| | £A million f.o.b. | | | | | |
| Year: 1938-39 | 49.9 | 37.7 | (—) 12.2 | 113.2 | 121.5 | 8.3 |
| 1949-50 | 214.0 | 216.6 | 2.6 | 536.1 | 611.6 | 75.5 |
| 1950-51 | 301.7 | 325.6 | 23.9 | 741.3 | 979.1 | 237.8 |
| 1951-52 | 426.8 | 193.9 | (—) 232.9 | 1,049.7 | 665.2 | (—) 384.5 |
| 1952-53 | 206.9 | 249.5 | 42.6 | 510.3 | 848.5 | 338.2 |
| 1953-54 | 277.9 | 249.3 | (—) 28.6 | 678.5 | 811.8 | 133.3 |
| 1954-55 | 343.5 | 207.6 | (—) 135.9 | 840.9 | 758.0 | (—) 82.9 |
| 1955-56 | 334.2 | 217.2 | (—) 117.0 | 818.3r | 771.1r | (—) 47.2r |
| 1955: January | 32.3 | 15.4 | (—) 16.9 | 76.0 | 63.6 | (—) 12.4 |
| February | 28.4 | 19.4 | (—) 9.0 | 69.9 | 67.3 | (—) 2.6 |
| March | 32.2 | 20.9 | (—) 11.3 | 77.7 | 77.0 | (—) 0.7 |
| April | 31.4 | 13.8 | (—) 17.6 | 73.2 | 56.9 | (—) 16.3 |
| May | 35.2 | 18.2 | (—) 17.0 | 78.8 | 66.8 | (—) 12.0 |
| June | 29.7 | 19.6 | (—) 10.1 | 74.7 | 69.0 | (—) 5.7 |
| July | 22.5 | 17.2 | (—) 5.3 | 61.5 | 60.8 | (—) 0.7 |
| August | 29.3 | 13.2 | (—) 16.1 | 71.2 | 48.7 | (—) 22.5 |
| 1956: January | 26.9* | 15.6* | (—) 11.3 | 63.4* | 55.4* | (—) 8.0 |
| February | 24.8* | 6.4* | (—) 18.4 | 59.1* | 20.1*r | (—) 39.0r |
| March | 30.4* | 23.2* | (—) 7.2 | 80.5* | 77.5*r | (—) 3.0r |
| April | 29.6 | 24.4* | (—) 5.2 | 67.9 | 78.2*r | 10.3r |
| May | 31.1 | 26.6* | (—) 4.5 | 71.5 | 90.0*r | 18.5r |
| June | 25.8 | 15.2* | (—) 10.6 | 63.4 | 72.9*r | 9.5r |
| July | 25.6 | 13.0 | (—) 12.6 | 57.3 | 61.0 | 3.7 |
| August | 31.2 | 15.8 | (—) 15.4 | 78.8 | 58.2 | (—) 20.6 |

*Affected by industrial dispute.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

| Period | 1948-49 | 1949-50 | 1950-51 | 1951-52 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56 |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | £ million | | | | | | | |
| September Qr. | 111.3 | 109.9 | 157.4 | 209.7 | 176.7 | 203.3 | 226.9 | 268.7 |
| December Qr. | 109.3 | 133.1 | 163.9 | 206.6 | 184.2 | 215.3 | 240.6 | 263.8 |
| January | 31.3 | 38.3 | 52.4 | 62.3 | 53.8 | 65.0 | 75.1 | 81.8 |
| February | 38.6 | 47.7 | 50.1 | 65.0 | 64.4 | 71.7 | 84.6 | 76.6 |
| March | 34.8 | 41.2 | 62.0 | 58.8 | 61.5 | 70.3 | 74.8 | 81.1 |
| April | 39.0 | 54.4 | 68.8 | 72.2 | 62.1 | 74.8 | 84.2 | 96.7 |
| May | 41.3 | 53.0 | 65.8 | 64.1 | 61.4 | 74.5 | 90.9 | 85.5 |
| June | 36.0 | 46.1 | 66.4 | 60.1 | 65.1 | 76.7 | 77.9 | 93.1 |
| Year ended June | 441.6 | 523.7 | 686.8 | 798.8 | 729.2 | 851.6 | 955.0 | 1,047.3 |

* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

39. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

| Period | Business Days in Period | | Value of Net Sales | Value of Stock | Wages and Salaries Paid | Number of Employees* | Three months ended in month shown | |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------|---|----------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Previous Year | Current Year | | | | | Value of Net Sales | Wages and Salaries Paid |
| | Number | | Percentage Increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year. | | | | | |
| Year : 1950 | 302 | 303 | + 16.8 | + 5.6 | + 11.7 | + 0.7 | | |
| 1951 | 303 | 301 | + 22.7 | + 26.9 | + 32.8 | + 2.7 | | |
| 1952 | 301 | 303 | — 8.6 | + 9.0 | + 4.0 | — 10.0 | | |
| 1953 | 303 | 302 | + 4.8 | — 20.1 | — 0.3 | — 3.9 | | |
| 1954 | 302 | 301 | + 8.0 | + 9.4 | + 7.1 | + 3.9 | | |
| 1955 | 301 | 303 | + 3.5 | + 9.1 | + 9.2 | + 2.6 | | |
| 1955 : Feb. | 22 | 24 | + 11.7 | + 10.0 | + 8.0 | + 3.1 | + 4.2 | + 8.0 |
| Mar. | 27 | 27 | + 6.6 | + 11.5 | + 9.5 | + 3.0 | + 4.2 | + 7.7 |
| Apr. | 22 | 22 | + 5.2 | + 9.9 | + 9.8 | + 4.0 | + 7.3 | + 9.1 |
| May | 26 | 26 | + 4.6 | + 9.0 | + 10.9 | + 3.4 | + 5.5 | + 10.1 |
| June | 25 | 25 | + 4.4 | + 8.5 | + 11.5 | + 3.7 | + 4.7 | + 10.7 |
| July | 27 | 27 | + 3.7 | + 9.6 | + 8.4 | + 4.4 | + 4.3 | + 10.3 |
| 1956 : Feb. | 24 | 25 | + 4.5 | + 5.6 | + 11.1 | — 0.6 | + 3.4 | + 11.8 |
| Mar. | 27 | 26 | + 2.1 | + 1.3 | + 9.1 | + 0.2 | + 3.5 | + 11.4 |
| Apr. | 22 | 23 | + 1.6 | + 4.6 | + 3.1 | + 0.6 | + 2.7 | + 7.7 |
| May | 26 | 27 | + 1.4 | + 4.0 | + 8.1 | — 2.3 | + 1.9 | + 6.8 |
| June | 25 | 25 | — 1.2 | + 1.5 | + 2.5 | — 2.9 | + 0.7 | + 4.6 |
| July | 26 | 26 | — 2.2 | — 1.9 | + 1.3 | — 3.5 | — 0.5 | + 4.1 |

* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

| Month | Deposits | Balances due to other Banks | Cash Items | Treasury Bills | Government and Municipal Securities | Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank | Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| £ million | | | | | | | |
| MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS | | | | | | | |
| 1939 : June | 318.0 | n.a. | 28.6 | 23.9 | 22.1 | ... | 291.7 |
| 1945 : June | 582.5 | n.a. | 36.5 | 46.5 | 104.3 | 241.8 | 207.9 |
| 1947 : June | 648.3 | 2.5 | 34.4 | 13.8 | 80.6 | 275.4 | 289.7 |
| 1949 : June | 817.4 | 49.8 | 40.0 | 11.1 | 62.5 | 381.2 | 383.3 |
| 1951 : June | 1,237.7 | 63.2 | 50.5 | 32.8 | 93.0 | 569.6 | 509.5 |
| 1953 : June | 1,239.0 | 3.5 | 76.6 | 100.5 | 115.7 | 300.8 | 601.8 |
| 1954 : June | 1,305.0 | 3.3 | 67.7 | 58.0 | 133.4 | 313.7 | 701.7 |
| 1955 : May | 1,328.7 | 4.0 | 59.6 | 48.6 | 126.1 | 259.6 | 811.4 |
| June | 1,307.2 | 4.6 | 65.4 | 27.8 | 124.6 | 245.8 | 817.7 |
| July | 1,280.8 | 3.8 | 69.2 | 18.8 | 113.9 | 238.8 | 829.9 |
| 1956 : May | 1,277.8 | 20.7 | 66.8 | 41.5 | 119.0 | 238.7 | 798.4 |
| June | 1,260.4 | 22.4 | 65.7 | 28.9 | 120.9 | 227.7 | 793.9 |
| July | 1,243.4 | 18.1 | 64.9 | 29.6 | 115.5 | 223.4 | 797.7 |

COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1947 : June | 58.6 | 0.3 | 5.7 | 1.1 | 33.9 | ... | 21.6 |
| 1949 : June | 68.2 | 2.5 | 4.7 | ... | 34.4 | ... | 35.6 |
| 1951 : June | 119.7 | 2.3 | 6.9 | 36.5 | 15.1 | ... | 68.5 |
| 1953 : June | 135.7 | 4.1 | 11.9 | 31.3 | 15.2 | 32.3 | 59.7 |
| 1954 : June | 165.7 | 0.3 | 14.1 | 12.6 | 35.1 | 38.7 | 76.0 |
| 1955 : May | 181.4 | 0.3 | 10.4 | 12.0 | 39.6 | 35.0 | 97.8 |
| June | 181.1 | 0.3 | 11.6 | 8.9 | 39.7 | 33.9 | 98.5 |
| July | 179.4 | 0.3 | 10.2 | 5.0 | 40.0 | 33.3 | 103.1 |
| 1956 : May | 180.2 | 0.3 | 9.8 | 8.2 | 35.7 | 32.9 | 101.0 |
| June | 179.1 | 0.3 | 10.2 | 5.0 | 35.7 | 31.9 | 101.9 |
| July | 175.4 | 0.3 | 8.9 | 2.0 | 35.7 | 31.2 | 105.3 |

ALL TRADING BANKS

| | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|---------|
| 1947 : June | 722.7 | 3.0 | 42.4 | 16.2 | 126.2 | 277.2 | 344.8 |
| 1949 : June | 913.1 | 52.5 | 48.0 | 12.2 | 111.5 | 382.8 | 461.9 |
| 1951 : June | 1,407.4 | 65.9 | 62.4 | 73.8 | 123.1 | 572.6 | 635.5 |
| 1953 : June | 1,428.0 | 7.9 | 94.4 | 138.7 | 144.6 | 334.1 | 724.8 |
| 1954 : June | 1,530.5 | 4.0 | 87.1 | 80.1 | 182.6 | 353.5 | 845.2 |
| 1955 : May | 1,566.7 | 5.0 | 74.1 | 65.5 | 179.1 | 295.6 | 983.6 |
| June | 1,544.7 | 5.6 | 81.8 | 40.7 | 177.8 | 280.7 | 990.8 |
| July | 1,514.7 | 5.2 | 83.8 | 27.2 | 167.5 | 273.1 | 1,007.7 |
| 1956 : May | 1,516.1 | 22.8 | 80.6 | 54.5 | 169.6 | 272.4 | 976.2 |
| June | 1,496.1 | 24.3 | 79.6 | 37.4 | 171.5 | 260.4 | 972.4 |
| July | 1,473.9 | 19.4 | 77.2 | 34.3 | 166.1 | 255.4 | 979.7 |

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

| Month | Major Private Trading Banks | | | | C'wealth Trading Bank* | | All Trading Banks | |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------|----------|------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| | Deposits | | | Advances | Deposits | Advances | Deposits | Advances |
| | Not Bearing Interest | Bearing Interest | Total | | | | | |
| | £ million | | | | | | | |
| 1947 : June | 174.6 | 69.7 | 244.3 | 116.5 | 33.3 | 12.6 | 286.8 | 153.6 |
| 1949 : June | 228.1 | 73.2 | 301.3 | 150.4 | 40.1 | 18.0 | 358.0 | 199.7 |
| 1951 : June | 386.0 | 81.9 | 467.9 | 197.9 | 60.0 | 36.1 | 560.8 | 276.6 |
| 1953 : June | 379.7 | 68.9 | 448.6 | 243.7 | 74.0 | 26.5 | 557.5 | 314.7 |
| 1954 : June | 400.2 | 82.9 | 483.1 | 281.6 | 87.3 | 32.7 | 608.6 | 360.7 |
| 1955 : May | 395.5 | 87.1 | 482.6 | 334.8 | 95.6 | 42.5 | 616.9 | 428.5 |
| June | 387.4 | 88.2 | 475.6 | 342.5 | 96.1 | 43.0 | 609.9 | 436.6 |
| July | 375.8 | 91.8 | 467.6 | 348.7 | 94.4 | 44.7 | 599.5 | 445.0 |
| 1956 : May | 374.8 | 85.5 | 460.3 | 328.4 | 93.7 | 43.6 | 593.4 | 424.8 |
| June | 363.6 | 87.2 | 450.8 | 329.7 | 93.3 | 44.1 | 582.7 | 426.5 |
| July | 355.0 | 90.8 | 445.8 | 333.9 | 92.4 | 45.6 | 576.0 | 432.4 |

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

| Period | 1949-50 | 1950-51 | 1951-52 | 1952-53 | 1953-54 | 1954-55 | 1955-56 | 1956-57 |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Weekly Average—£ million | | | | | | | | |
| July | 91.2 | 121.3 | 159.3 | 149.0 | 163.7 | 181.8 | 201.7 | 214.6r |
| August | 80.9 | 109.2 | 141.9 | 130.1 | 145.6 | 170.6 | 186.9 | 189.0 |
| September | 88.0 | 126.3 | 153.0 | 143.0 | 167.7 | 179.7 | 193.7 | |
| October | 99.0 | 135.5 | 163.0 | 152.7 | 168.3 | 190.3 | 202.9 | |
| November | 107.9 | 147.9 | 170.5 | 159.8 | 173.0 | 185.8 | 216.1 | |
| December | 112.2 | 158.0 | 175.9 | 173.8 | 187.1 | 194.5 | 214.1 | |
| January | 96.8 | 131.6 | 146.2 | 124.6 | 151.9 | 173.8 | 183.9 | |
| February | 108.7 | 161.1 | 155.3 | 156.2 | 164.8 | 188.3 | 187.1 | |
| March | 118.6 | 160.0 | 152.1 | 162.4 | 184.7 | 186.0 | 199.8 | |
| April | 108.8 | 161.1 | 153.3 | 149.7 | 166.2 | 185.5 | 201.2 | |
| May | 122.6 | 167.3 | 155.9 | 157.4 | 183.0 | 203.3 | 218.0 | |
| June | 121.2 | 168.2 | 158.4 | 160.3 | 194.9 | 206.1 | 203.9 | |
| Year | 104.9 | 145.1 | 156.6 | 151.9 | 171.7 | 187.5 | 200.9 | |

43. Savings Bank Accounts and Depositors' Balances at end of Month.

| Month. | New South Wales | | | | Australia | |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| | Active Accounts | Depositors' Balances | | | Active Accounts | Depositors' Balances |
| | | C'wealth Savings Bank | Other Savings Banks * | Total | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | Thousand | £ thousand | | | Thousand | £ thousand |
| 1939-June | 1,330 | 87,474 | ..... | 87,474 | 3,858 | 245,587 |
| 1948 " | 2,013 | 236,964 | ..... | 236,964 | 5,728 | 681,318 |
| 1949 " | 2,072 | 244,483 | ..... | 244,483 | 5,890 | 714,232 |
| 1950 " | 2,138 | 258,874 | ..... | 258,874 | 6,105 | 762,085 |
| 1951 " | 2,194 | 284,466 | ..... | 284,466 | 6,307 | 837,444 |
| 1952 " | 2,247 | 304,532 | ..... | 304,532 | 6,494 | 891,898 |
| 1953 " | 2,279 | 319,149 | ..... | 319,149 | 6,633 | 947,497 |
| 1954 " | 2,308 | 339,797 | ..... | 339,797 | 6,756 | 1,010,129 |
| 1955: May | 2,329 | 351,370 | ..... | 351,370 | 6,833 | 1,051,546 |
| June | 2,336 | 358,645 | ..... | 358,645 | 6,861 | 1,073,394 |
| July | 2,347 | 360,404 | ..... | 360,404 | 6,888 | 1,080,732 |
| 1956: May | 2,448 | 356,717 | 20,020 | 376,737 | 7,112 | 1,111,586 |
| June | 2,463 | 363,833 | 22,843 | 386,676 | 7,147 | 1,140,484 |
| July | 2,487 | 362,704 | 27,642 | 390,346 | 7,215 | 1,149,526 |

* Bank of New South Wales Savings Bank Ltd., and the Australia and New Zealand Savings Bank Ltd. These banks commenced business in all Australian States and Territories, except South Australia and Tasmania, on 19th and 20th January, 1956, respectively.

44. Overseas Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

| Period | Australia on— | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | London | New Zealand | South Africa | Montreal | New York | France | Belgium | India |
| | £A. to £stg.100 | £A. to £N.Z.100 | £A. to £S.A.100 | Canadian \$ to £A.1 | U.S. \$ to £A.1 | Francs to £A.1 | Francs to £A.1 | Rupees to £A.1 |
| 1938-39 | 125.25 | 100.33 | 124.70 | 3.79 | 3.78 | 141.75 | 111.58 | 10.69 |
| 1946-June | 125.25 | 100.25 | 124.88 | 3.54 | 3.22 | 383.24 | 141.02 | 10.64 |
| 1949- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 124.88 | 3.22 | 3.22 | 875.85 | 141.02 | 10.64 |
| 1950- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 124.88 | 2.46 | 2.24 | 782.44 | 111.78 | 10.64 |
| 1951- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 124.88 | 2.39 | 2.24 | 782.44 | 111.78 | 10.64 |
| 1952- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.18 | 2.22 | 776.35 | 111.66 | 10.64 |
| 1953- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.19 | 2.25 | 784.71 | 111.76 | 10.64 |
| 1954- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.21 | 2.25 | 784.84 | 112.15 | 10.64 |
| 1955- " | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.21 | 2.23 | 780.74 | 111.70 | 10.64 |
| 1956: April | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.23 | 2.24 | 786.50 | 111.52 | 10.65 |
| May | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.22 | 2.24 | 786.37 | 111.50 | 10.65 |
| June | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.20 | 2.24 | 783.64 | 111.12 | 10.65 |
| July | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.19 | 2.23 | 782.62 | 110.98 | 10.65 |
| August | 125.25 | 124.27 | 125.04 | 2.18 | 2.22 | 783.23 | 111.06 | 10.65 |

45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

| Period | First Mortgages Registered* | Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities† | | Trading Banks‡ | | | | Savings Bank Deposits‡ | | Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count) |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------|----------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | | | Fixed Deposits | | | Over-draft (Max.) | To £500 | £500 to £1,000 \$ | |
| | | Short-dated : 2 years | Long-dated : 12 years | 3 months | 24 months | | | | | |
| | | | | | To £10,000 | Over £10,000 | | | | |
| Per cent. per annum | | | | | | | | | | |
| Year : 1938-39 | 5.4 | 3.67 | 3.85 | 2.00 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 5.75 | 2.00 | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| 1945-46 | 4.6 | 2.18 | 3.24 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 4.75 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| 1948-49 | 4.4 | 2.07 | 3.15 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 4.50 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 0.75 |
| 1949-50 | 4.4 | 1.95 | 3.13 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 4.50 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 0.75 |
| 1950-51 | 4.4 | 1.99 | 3.21 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 4.50 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 0.75 |
| 1951-52 | 4.4 | 2.05 | 3.95 | 0.50 | 1.50 | 1.00 | 4.50 | 2.00 | 1.00 | 0.75 |
| 1952-53 | 4.7 | 3.03 | 4.54 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 1.50 | 5.00 | 2.25 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| 1953-54 | 4.9 | 3.10 | 4.44 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 1.50 | 5.00 | 2.25 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| 1954-55 | 5.2 | 3.49 | 4.50 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| 1955-56 | 5.8 | 4.39 | 4.76 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |
| 1955 : August | 5.5 | 4.08 | 4.51 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| September | 5.5 | 4.23 | 4.51 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| October | 5.6 | 3.96 | 4.53 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| November | 5.6 | 4.07 | 4.52 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| December | 5.7 | 4.19 | 4.53 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| 1956 : January | 5.8 | 4.13 | 4.54 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| February | 5.8 | 4.26 | 4.57 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 2.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| March | 5.9 | 4.68 | 5.12 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 2.50 | 1.25 | 1.00 |
| April | 5.9 | 4.97 | 5.18 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |
| May | 6.0 | 5.02 | 5.19 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |
| June | 6.1 | 5.13 | 5.34 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |
| July | 6.2 | 4.68 | 5.15 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |
| August | 6.3 | 4.70 | 5.05 | 2.25 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 6.00 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 1.00 |

* Weighted average rate on first mortgages registered, where mortgagee is a corporation (other than a bank or a building society), or an individual. Mortgages taken by Government Agencies are excluded. Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Rate current at end of Period.

§ £500 to £1,300 until March, 1942; £500 to £1,500 from June, 1954 to March, 1956. From 1st April, 1956 the rate on excess over £1,000 up to £1,500 is 1½ per cent.

46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 34 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

| Month | 23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies | 10 Retail Companies | 4 Pastoral and Finance Companies | 4 Insurance Companies | Total, 75* Companies | 34 Active Shares included in foregoing |
|--------------|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--|
| 1939 : Aug. | 212.6 | 168.2 | 118.2 | 263.9 | 174.4 | 181.9 |
| 1945 : Sept. | 242.7 | 207.8 | 146.7 | 264.6 | 195.8 | 210.3 |
| 1949 : June | 326.9 | 274.4 | 171.7 | 462.3 | 242.4 | 246.4 |
| 1950 : June | 399.3 | 318.7 | 227.4 | 576.7 | 293.6 | 297.5 |
| 1951 : June | 529.8 | 397.6 | 301.6 | 757.1 | 366.6 | 357.0 |
| 1952 : June | 358.2 | 257.1 | 189.0 | 580.5 | 256.7 | 250.7 |
| 1953 : June | 363.6 | 265.2 | 192.8 | 544.4 | 254.4 | 253.7 |
| 1954 : June | 381.3 | 310.1 | 217.7 | 574.7 | 274.5 | 282.2 |
| 1955 : June | 426.6 | 403.4 | 247.0 | 578.5 | 314.5 | 314.8 |
| 1955 : Sept. | 432.1 | 409.8 | 257.4 | 579.9 | 317.3 | 318.8 |
| Oct. | 433.9 | 405.9 | 262.8 | 578.5 | 317.4 | 317.6 |
| Nov. | 426.0 | 403.5 | 257.0 | 571.9 | 312.8 | 311.5 |
| Dec. | 424.9 | 411.4 | 258.8 | 575.6 | 313.9 | 312.7 |
| 1956 : Jan. | 429.1 | 420.0 | 259.1 | 581.6 | 316.1 | 315.5 |
| Feb. | 425.6 | 419.0 | 258.8 | 578.9 | 314.2 | 313.5 |
| Mar. | 418.0 | 407.5 | 251.3 | 557.5 | 307.9 | 304.0 |
| Apr. | 415.7 | 404.6 | 244.0 | 560.1 | 305.7 | 302.2 |
| May | 410.9 | 387.2 | 238.2 | 562.6 | 301.1 | 299.2 |
| June | 399.7 | 377.7 | 234.5 | 566.3 | 295.5 | 293.2 |
| July | 397.8 | 370.8 | 242.4 | 573.7 | 294.4 | 294.0 |
| Aug. | 405.1 | 376.2 | 249.7 | 608.2 | 300.1 | 303.9 |

* Including 34 miscellaneous companies.

47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

| Period | Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers | | Mortgages* | Crop Liens | Wool Lien† | Livestock Mortgages † |
|---------|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| | Number | £ thousand | | | | |
| Year : | | | | | | |
| 1938-39 | 50,295 | 35,272 | 25,068 | 1,908 | 3,064 | 1,736 |
| 1948-49 | 86,201 | 62,229 | 32,518 | 333 | 2,391 | 2,768 |
| 1949-50 | 105,589 | 125,952 | 57,382 | 460 | 3,115 | 2,845 |
| 1950-51 | 108,732 | 192,311 | 70,600 | 309 | 4,828 | 3,482 |
| 1951-52 | 95,857 | 179,581 | 77,211 | 514 | 4,371 | 3,578 |
| 1952-53 | 82,905 | 143,909 | 68,590 | 462 | 3,428 | 2,513 |
| 1953-54 | 92,380 | 188,032 | 76,024 | 476 | 3,460 | 2,698 |
| 1954-55 | 98,666 | 218,799 | 91,686 | 544 | 3,654 | 2,550 |
| 1955-56 | 91,143 | 230,300 | 117,023 | 896 | 4,123 | 2,886 |
| 1955 : | | | | | | |
| March | 8,562 | 18,782 | 8,091 | 26 | 255 | 215 |
| April | 6,681 | 15,580 | 6,770 | 22 | 368 | 228 |
| May | 8,502 | 18,957 | 8,053 | 22 | 390 | 237 |
| June | 8,744 | 19,047 | 8,109 | 45 | 605 | 356 |
| July | 8,747 | 21,974 | 13,320 | 24 | 482 | 362 |
| August | 9,764 | 22,956 | 13,581 | 400 | 329 | 242 |
| 1956 : | | | | | | |
| March | 8,121 | 19,000 | 9,062 | 68 | 293 | 244 |
| April | 6,782 | 16,762 | 8,928 | 69 | 334 | 252 |
| May | 7,687 | 18,352 | 9,251 | 24 | 412 | 335 |
| June | 7,920 | 17,440 | 10,544 | 32 | 499 | 284 |
| July | 8,214 | 20,256 | 10,388 | 491 | 439 | 390 |
| August | n.a. | 19,779 | 11,593 | 44 | 481 | 76 |

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

| Period | Ordinary Department | | Industrial Department | | Total Sum Assured |
|------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| | Policies | Sum Assured | Policies | Sum Assured | |
| | Number | £ thousand | Number | £ thousand | £ thousand |
| Year†: | | | | | |
| 1939 | 50,520 | 18,179 | 156,787 | 7,540 | 25,719 |
| 1948 | 99,282 | 47,956 | 115,336 | 11,076 | 59,032 |
| 1949 | 94,665 | 49,357 | 113,568 | 11,332 | 60,689 |
| 1950 | 98,015 | 58,666 | 106,754 | 11,136 | 69,802 |
| 1951 | 101,683 | 78,187 | 97,361 | 11,526 | 89,713 |
| 1952 | 110,992 | 81,270 | 99,573 | 13,342 | 94,612 |
| 1953 | 111,437 | 86,501 | 98,547 | 13,590 | 100,091 |
| 1954 | 110,302 | 97,247 | 91,554 | 13,313 | 110,560 |
| 1955† | 116,957 | 109,940 | 85,446 | 13,371 | 123,311 |
| 1955 : Jan.-June | 47,418 | 45,170 | 39,575 | 6,070 | 51,240 |
| 1956 : Jan.-June | 53,833 | 50,079 | 40,459 | 6,189 | 56,268 |
| 1955 : | | | | | |
| April | 7,052 | 7,082 | 7,403 | 1,147 | 8,229 |
| May | 10,429 | 9,226 | 7,069 | 1,067 | 10,293 |
| June | 11,387 | 10,874 | 8,745 | 1,383 | 12,257 |
| 1956 : | | | | | |
| April | 8,863 | 8,456 | 7,296 | 1,098 | 9,554 |
| May | 9,489 | 10,009 | 7,701 | 1,196 | 11,205 |
| June | 9,584 | 10,275 | 8,294 | 1,290 | 11,565 |

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

† Total of monthly figures.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

| Period | On Mortgage of Real Estate | On Companies' Policies | On Other Securities | Total Loans Granted |
|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | |
| Year: | | £ thousand | | |
| 1948 | 5,828 | 861 | 2,540 | 9,229 |
| 1949 | 9,264 | 931 | 2,913 | 13,108 |
| 1950 | 16,184 | 1,117 | 3,873 | 21,174 |
| 1951 | 20,433 | 1,228 | 4,935 | 26,596 |
| 1952 | 16,506 | 1,771 | 3,470 | 21,747 |
| 1953 | 14,775 | 1,436 | 2,426 | 18,637 |
| 1954 | 14,298 | 1,500 | 1,901 | 17,699 |
| 1955 | 22,039 | 1,873 | 1,972 | 25,884 |
| 1955 : Jan.-June | 10,728 | 871 | 1,009 | 12,608 |
| 1956 : Jan.-June | 9,225 | 1,133 | 680 | 11,038 |
| 1955 : | | | | |
| April | 1,971 | 141 | 196 | 2,308 |
| May | 1,522 | 148 | 94 | 1,764 |
| June | 3,258 | 170 | 138 | 3,566 |
| 1956 : | | | | |
| April | 1,349 | 189 | 151 | 1,689 |
| May | 1,567 | 220 | 98 | 1,885 |
| June | 1,486 | 209 | 93 | 1,788 |

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

49. Commonwealth Government: Revenue and Expenditure

| REVENUE | | | EXPENDITURE | | |
|--|-------------|---------|---|-------------|---------|
| Item | July-August | | Item | July-August | |
| | 1955 | 1956 | | 1955 | 1956 |
| | £ thousand | | | £ thousand | |
| Taxes— | | | Social Services— | | |
| Customs | 15,594 | 13,931 | Invalid, Age Pensions | 14,964 | 20,419 |
| Excise | 23,817 | 33,373 | Child Endowment | 10,868 | 11,884 |
| Sales | 16,434 | 18,954 | Hospital Benefits | 1,992 | 1,980 |
| Income Tax and Social Services Contribution | 57,690 | 49,200 | Pharmaceutical Benefits | 1,613 | 1,358 |
| | | | Other | 4,289 | 5,080 |
| Payroll | 7,500 | 7,830 | Total, Social Services | 33,726 | 40,721 |
| Estate | 1,627 | 1,807 | To States— | | |
| Other | 287 | 293 | Tax Reimbursements | 20,911 | 23,206 |
| Total Taxes | 122,949 | 125,388 | Other | 9,267 | 11,426 |
| Post Office | 12,430 | 13,459 | Capital Works | 16,332 | 16,404 |
| Broadcasting | 821 | 875 | Post Office† | 12,428 | 15,086 |
| Railways | 709 | 807 | Broadcasting† | 1,140 | 1,050 |
| Territories | 465 | 373 | Railway† | 439 | 634 |
| Other | 2,930 | 2,957 | Territories† | 2,194 | 2,358 |
| Total Revenue* | 140,304 | 143,859 | Defence Services | 21,986 | 29,813 |
| | | | War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45† | 10,787 | 14,653 |
| | | | Subsidies | 1,449 | 1,446 |
| | | | Debt Charges | 5,497 | 6,406 |
| | | | Other | 13,502 | 15,017 |
| | | | Total Expenditure * | 149,658 | 178,220 |

* Excludes self-balancing items amounting to £2,130,000 in the two months ended August, 1955 and £1,235,000 in 1956.

† Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation (£363,000 in the two months ended August, 1955 and £224,000 in 1956) is included above. Other loan expenditure consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £4,300,000 in 1955 and £2,734,000 in 1956.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of August amounted to £155,000,000 in 1955 and £190,000,000 in 1956.

50. New South Wales Government: Revenue and Expenditure

| REVENUE | | | EXPENDITURE | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------|---|-------------|--------|
| Item | July-August | | Item | July-August | |
| | 1955 | 1956 | | 1955 | 1956 |
| | £ thousand | | | £ thousand | |
| Governmental— | | | Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management | 3,070 | 3,380 |
| From Commonwealth— | | | Less—Recoups from other Activities | 4 | 2 |
| Towards Interest | 486 | 486 | Net Debt Charges | 3,066 | 3,378 |
| Reimbursement of Taxes | 8,197 | 8,749 | Other than Debt Charges— | | |
| Stamp and Probate Duty | 2,808 | 3,366 | Governmental | 12,381 | 14,122 |
| Other Taxes | 1,760 | 1,638 | Business Undertakings— | | |
| Land | 277 | 260 | Railways | 10,758 | 11,964 |
| Services | 774 | 882 | Trams and Buses | 2,030 | 2,257 |
| Other | 2,032 | 1,927 | Sydney Harbour | 292 | 310 |
| Total Governmental | 16,334 | 17,308 | Total Expenditure | 28,527 | 32,031 |
| Business Undertakings— | | | | | |
| Railways | 11,531 | 11,268 | | | |
| Trams and Buses | 1,932 | 2,287 | | | |
| Sydney Harbour | 547 | 520 | | | |
| Total Revenue | 30,344 | 31,383 | | | |

Loan Expenditure on works and services was gross £5,772,000 and net (i.e., gross, less repayments to loan account) £5,690,000 in the two months ended August, 1955, compared with gross £5,374,000 and net £5,253,000 in 1956.

51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

| Period | Wool | Wheat | Butter | Metals* | Meats† | All Groups ‡ | |
|----------------|-------|-------|--------|---------|--------|----------------|----------------|
| | | | | | | Excluding Gold | Including Gold |
| £ (a) | 45.63 | 17.06 | 11.36 | 6.83 | 6.63 | ... | 100.00 |
| £ (b) | 49.05 | 18.34 | 12.21 | 7.34 | 7.13 | 100.00 | ... |
| Year : 1938-39 | 79 | 66 | 101 | 84 | 96 | 82 | 83 |
| 1945-46 | 117 | 213 | 147 | 196 | 123 | 148 | 146 |
| 1950-51 | 999 | 432 | 271 | 689 | 209 | 690 | 654 |
| 1951-52 | 564 | 436 | 291 | 811 | 263 | 495 | 473 |
| 1952-53 | 616 | 445 | 313 | 504 | 314 | 505 | 483 |
| 1953-54 | 615 | 411 | 325 | 450 | 338 | 496 | 474 |
| 1954-55 | 538 | 357 | 313 | 511 | 344 | 450 | 431 |
| 1955-56 | 464 | 324p | 320 | 562 | 355p | 414p | 397p |
| 1955 : June | 505 | 355 | 313 | 528 | 343 | 435 | 417 |
| July | 505\|\| | 352 | 313 | 538 | 359 | 437 | 419 |
| August | 453 | 351 | 313 | 538 | 365 | 411 | 395 |
| September | 437 | 334 | 313 | 545 | 398 | 404 | 388 |
| October | 437 | 329 | 337 | 543 | 408 | 406 | 390 |
| November | 437 | 323 | 364 | 549 | 383 | 407 | 391 |
| December | 453 | 315 | 368 | 575 | 364p | 414p | 398p |
| 1956 : January | 460 | 313 | 361 | 590 | 348p | 416p | 400p |
| February | 460 | 311 | 328 | 592 | 331p | 411p | 395p |
| March | 453 | 312 | 304 | 592 | 322p | 404p | 388p |
| April | 468 | 310p | 273 | 579 | 317p | 406p | 390p |
| May | 498 | 321p | 265 | 556 | 324p | 421p | 404p |
| June | 505\|\| | 319p | 299 | 548 | 335p | 429p | 411p |
| July | 490 | 324p | 274 | 549 | 343p | 420p | 403p |

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) including Gold and (b) excluding Gold. || Nominal.

52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Commodities are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

| Period | Metals and Coal | Textiles | Building Materials | Total Basic Materials | Foodstuffs and Tobacco | Goods Principally Imported* | Goods Principally Home-produced | Total, All Groups |
|----------------|-----------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Year : 1938-39 | 103 | 82 | 97 | 99 | 103 | 99 | 102 | 101 |
| 1945-46 | 130 | 152 | 177 | 149 | 135 | 178 | 126 | 141 |
| 1950-51 | 256 | 641 | 268 | 264 | 232 | 256 | 242 | 246 |
| 1951-52 | 343 | 577 | 370 | 321 | 281 | 288 | 305 | 300 |
| 1952-53 | 392 | 607 | 404 | 350 | 294 | 292 | 331 | 320 |
| 1953-54 | 388 | 566 | 363 | 332 | 313 | 271 | 343 | 321 |
| 1954-55 | 391 | 510 | 372 | 330 | 311 | 277 | 338 | 320 |
| 1955-56 | 404p | 456 | 415 | 345p | 332p | 292p | 357p | 338p |
| 1955 : June | 396 | 485 | 398 | 338 | 324 | 287 | 348 | 330 |
| July | 397 | 486 | 398 | 338 | 331 | 281 | 357 | 334 |
| Aug. | 397 | 452 | 398 | 337 | 329 | 282 | 354 | 333 |
| Sept. | 405 | 441 | 398 | 340 | 329 | 290 | 352 | 334 |
| Oct. | 405 | 441 | 398 | 340 | 325 | 289 | 350 | 332 |
| Nov. | 404 | 437 | 407 | 342 | 331 | 291 | 355 | 336 |
| Dec. | 404 | 447 | 407 | 342 | 326 | 291 | 352 | 334 |
| 1956 : Jan. | 405 | 453 | 407 | 343 | 327p | 288p | 354p | 334p |
| Feb. | 405 | 453 | 408 | 343 | 318p | 288p | 347p | 329p |
| Mar. | 405 | 446 | 425 | 350 | 332p | 299p | 357p | 340p |
| April | 403 | 456 | 442 | 353p | 337p | 303p | 362p | 344p |
| May | 410p | 477 | 444 | 357p | 344p | 304p | 369p | 350p |
| June | 409p | 482 | 444 | 357p | 351p | 299p | 376p | 353p |
| July | 410p | 461 | 444 | 358p | 358p | 301p | 382p | 358p |

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

53. Wholesale Price Indexes: Various Countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the respective countries. For the United Kingdom and France, the current indexes are not available on a pre-war base.

Base : Average for 3 years ended June, 1939=100

| Period | Australia | New Zealand | South Africa | Canada | U.S.A. * | Sweden | United Kingdom † | | France | India |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------|-------------|--------|---------------------|-----|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | £ | \$ | | |
| Year : 1936-37 | 98 | 96 | 97 | 101 | 104 | 98 | Base: | | Base: 1949=100 | Base: Year ended August, 1939=100 |
| 1937-38 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 104 | 101 | 103 | 30th June, 1949=100 | | | |
| 1938-39 | 101 | 102 | 100 | 95 | 95 | 99 | | | | |
| 1951-52 | 300 | 243 | 252 | 229 | 213 | 285 | 175 | 128 | 145 | 414 |
| 1952-53 | 320 | 252 | 269 | 216 | 209 | 278 | 152 | 126 | 141 | 386 |
| 1953-54 | 321 | 248 | 270 | 214 | 209 | 268 | 143 | 125 | 137 | 397 |
| 1954-55 | 320 | 249 | 274 | 211 | 208 | 272 | 147 | 127 | 135 | 365 |
| 1955-56 | 338p | 253 | 283 | 217 | 212 | 290 | 155 | 133 | 139 | 373 |
| 1955: Nov. | 336 | 251 | 284 | 215 | 210 | 287 | 153 | 132 | 137 | 365 |
| Dec. | 334 | 251 | 283 | 216 | 210 | 291 | 155 | 133 | 138 | 368 |
| 1956: Jan. | 334p | 252 | 284 | 217 | 212 | 292 | 155 | 133 | 139 | 376 |
| Feb. | 329p | 252 | 284 | 217 | 213 | 293 | 155 | 134 | 143 | 378 |
| Mar. | 340p | 254 | 283 | 218 | 213 | 295 | 156 | 135 | 140 | 387 |
| Apr. | 344p | 256 | 283 | 219 | 215 | 296 | 155 | 135 | 141 | 391 |
| May | 350p | 257 | 282 | 220 | 216 | 295 | 156 | 135 | 142 | 390 |
| June | 353p | 258 | n.y.a. | 221 | 216 | n.y.a. | 155 | 136 | n.y.a. | 398 |

* Current series linked as at January, 1947, to former series to show movement prior to that date. † Compilation of the general wholesale price index previously published ceased after December, 1955. ‡ Basic materials (excluding fuel) used in non-food manufacturing industry. § All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco.

54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

| Quarter | Food and Groceries | Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms | Clothing | Miscellaneous Items | Total "C" Series Index† | |
|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | | | | | Index Number | Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939 Per cent. |
| 1939: September | 930 | 1039 | 841 | 939 | 933 | |
| 1945: June | 1040 | 1043 | 1410 | 1163 | 1141 | 22 |
| 1947: June | 1096 | 1044 | 1540 | 1187 | 1194 | 28 |
| 1949: June | 1384 | 1048 | 1980 | 1347 | 1425 | 53 |
| 1951: June | 1943 | 1051 | 2819 | 1689 | 1875 | 101 |
| 1952: June | 2727 | 1089 | 3098 | 1997 | 2284 | 145 |
| 1953: June | 2669 | 1274 | 3305 | 2044 | 2360 | 153 |
| 1954: June | 2703 | 1320 | 3257 | 2045 | 2373 | 154 |
| 1955: June | 2835 | 1332 | 3267 | 2031 | 2423 | 160 |
| September | 2907 | 1342 | 3276 | 2040 | 2455 | 163 |
| December | 2936 | 1348 | 3279 | 2064 | 2471 | 165 |
| 1956: March | 2986 | 1355 | 3267 | 2074 | 2490 | 167 |
| June | 3128 | 1359 | 3279 | 2135 | 2556 | 174 |

(b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

| Quarter | Sydney | Newcastle | Broken Hill | Goulburn | Bathurst | Five Towns* |
|-----------------|--------|-----------|-------------|----------|----------|-------------|
| 1939: September | 933 | 897 | 943 | 914 | 881 | 930 |
| 1945: June | 1141 | 1099 | 1193 | 1111 | 1089 | 1138 |
| 1947: June | 1194 | 1150 | 1237 | 1160 | 1147 | 1191 |
| 1949: June | 1425 | 1393 | 1504 | 1421 | 1393 | 1424 |
| 1951: June | 1875 | 1853 | 1939 | 1858 | 1825 | 1874 |
| 1952: June | 2284 | 2231 | 2360 | 2277 | 2228 | 2281 |
| 1953: June | 2360 | 2283 | 2397 | 2292 | 2354 | 2354 |
| 1954: June | 2373 | 2319 | 2425 | 2329 | 2383 | 2369 |
| 1955: June | 2423 | 2388 | 2439 | 2398 | 2424 | 2420 |
| September | 2455 | 2409 | 2464 | 2445 | 2455 | 2451 |
| December | 2471 | 2425 | 2487 | 2472 | 2474 | 2468 |
| 1956: March | 2490 | 2444 | 2489 | 2504 | 2482 | 2487 |
| June | 2556 | 2499 | 2531 | 2548 | 2520 | 2551 |

*Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

55. Basic Wages : Sydney, Adult Males and Females

| State and Commonwealth Awards | | | | | Month of Change | State Awards | | | Commonwealth Awards | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------|---------------------|------|--------|
| Month of Change | Amount per week— Males | Month of Change | Amount per week | | | Amount per week | | | Amount per week | | |
| | | | Males | Females * | | Males | Females * | Males | Females | | |
| 1947: Feb. | s. 108 | 1950: Dec. | s. 165† | s. 123 | d. 6 | 1955: Nov. | s. 253 | s. 189 | d. 6 | s. | s. d. |
| May | 110 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nov. | 112 | 1951: Feb. | 173 | 129 | 6 | 1956: Feb. | 255 | 191 | 0 | | |
| | | May | 180 | 135 | 0 | May | 256 | 192 | 0 | | |
| 1948: Feb. | 114 | Aug. | 193 | 144 | 6 | June | | | | 253† | 189 6† |
| May | 116 | Nov. | 207 | 155 | 0 | Aug. | 263 | 197 | 0 | | |
| Aug. | 120 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nov. | 122 | 1952: Feb. | 216 | 162 | 0 | | | | | | |
| | | May | 223 | 167 | 0 | | | | | | |
| 1949: Feb. | 124 | Aug. | 235 | 176 | 0 | | | | | | |
| May | 127 | Nov. | 237 | 177 | 6 | | | | | | |
| Aug. | 130 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nov. | 132 | 1953: Feb. | 238 | 178 | 6 | | | | | | |
| | | May | 241 | 180 | 6 | | | | | | |
| 1950: Feb. | 135 | Aug. | 243‡ | 182 | 0‡ | | | | | | |
| May | 138 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Aug. | 142 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nov. | 146 | | | | | | | | | | |

* None declared by Commonwealth Arbitration Court until December, 1950. Under State Awards, the amount shown represents the minimum wage per week payable to adult females.

† Increase resulting from judgment of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court.

‡ Quarterly adjustments for movements in retail prices were suspended in September, 1953, in both Commonwealth and State Awards. They were restored in State Awards in N.S.W. in November, 1955.

56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

| End of Month | Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate | | | | Average Weekly Standard Working Hours | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| | Amount—shillings | | Index Number | | | |
| | Adult Males | Adult Females | Adult Males* | Adult Females† | Adult Males | Adult Females |
| 1939 : Sept. | 95.8 | 52.7 | 1870 | 1939 | 44.0 | 43.9 |
| 1945 : Sept. | 121.1 | 72.3 | 2362 | 2660 | 43.5 | 43.9 |
| 1947 : June‡ | 132.7 | 82.3 | 2589 | 3029 | 43.5 | 43.9 |
| 1948 : June§ | 149.1 | 92.4 | 2909 | 3402 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 159.8 | 100.0 | 3117 | 3681 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1949 : June | 165.4 | 103.5 | 3227 | 3811 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 171.9 | 108.1 | 3355 | 3979 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1950 : June | 179.3 | 114.3 | 3499 | 4206 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 209.5 | 139.9 | 4088 | 5150 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1951 : June | 228.6 | 151.0 | 4461 | 5558 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 255.0 | 171.1 | 4975 | 6296 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1952 : June | 270.4 | 183.1 | 5277 | 6738 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 284.7 | 193.9 | 5555 | 7138 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1953 : June | 289.8 | 196.7 | 5655 | 7240 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 296.6 | 198.4 | 5788 | 7302 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1954 : June | 296.7 | 198.5 | 5790 | 7305 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 298.3 | 198.6 | 5820 | 7311 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1955 : Mar. | 302.2 | 201.0 | 5896 | 7398 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| June | 302.6 | 201.0 | 5904 | 7398 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Sept. | 303.1 | 201.7 | 5914 | 7424 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| Dec. | 310.1 | 205.2 | 6051 | 7553 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| 1956 : Mar. | 312.9 | 205.9 | 6106 | 7579 | 40.0 | 40.0 |
| June p | 317.3 | 211.4 | 6190 | 7779 | 40.0 | 40.0 |

* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.
Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base: Weighted average for
‡ Forty-hour week under State Awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth Awards from 1st January, 1948.

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